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Front cover: The Joe and Phoebe Roth Gascho family, in about 1924. Back row; Katie, Mary, Anna, Minnie; Front row: Ida, Jacobina (Phoebe), Harry, Joseph (Joe) and Alvin.

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Foreword

There was at time when I could not understand why my father(Alvin Gascho) always became excited when conversations turned to Gascho ancestors and relatives. Now I don't understand why I didn't pay more attention when he wanted to talk about his family. I suspect there are other Gascho descendants like me who at one time cared little about their Gascho heritage but now would like to know about it. It is for them and for myself that I have written this book.

All family stories are interesting, but the Joe and Phoebe Roth Gascho story is more interesting than many. It is an exciting story of moving from place to place: Joe from Illinois to Nebraska to Arkansas to Nebraska to Colorado and so on, Phoebe from Germany to Nebraska. The children and the grandchildren have continued the moving trend, from Nebraska to Colorado and Oregon and California and Pennsylvania and Alabama and Canada, to name some but not all points of destination. It is a sad story--in few families do three young daughters die early in their married lives, each leaving six children. It is a story of generational dynamics: grandparents, aunts and uncles raising grandchildren, nephews and nieces. And it is a story of God working in the lives of persons.

In an undertaking such as this, there is missing information and, I am sure, there are errors. I sincerely apologize for any errors. Please notify me if you find errors or can provide missing information. Also, in order to keep the Joe and Phoebe Roth Gascho story current, please notify me of future births, marriages and deaths.

I hope this book will be of interest to descendants of Joe and PhoebeRoth Gascho and to others interested in genealogy.

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The Joe and Phoebe Roth Gascho Story

Joe Gascho

Joseph (he had no middle name, even though his marriage certificate lists him as Joseph O.) Gascho was born near Flanagan, Illinois on February 11, 1871, to Joseph and Mary Birkey Gascho. Joe moved with his father and mother, his older brother John, younger sister Magdalene and younger brothers Chris, Jake and possibly Ben to Seward County, Nebraska in 1877 or 1878[1]. The family moved because land was cheaper in Nebraska. Joseph, known as Joe for most of his life, went to school when younger, but attended only in winter when he grew older. Joe's brother John died in 1886[2], when Joe was 15. His father was a minister, and left much of the farm work to his oldest living son. His son Harry believes that he wanted more schooling, but work on the farm kept him from getting as much education as he would have liked.

It is said that he narrowly escaped death in the Great Blizzard of 1888. He was at school the day the storm began. In the morning, much snow fell, but there was little wind; by afternoon a strong wind had arisen, and the storm became a true blizzard. He left the school, following the corn and fence rows. By the time he arrived home, so much snow had blown between the lining and the outer portion of his coat that it was almost too heavy to wear.

In the spring of 1893 or 1894 Joe went by horse and wagon with his brothers Chris and Jake to Thurman, Colorado. They homesteaded there, building a soddy close to Aunt Barbara Gascho Schlegel and her husband Joseph. The crops were so poor that the brothers returned to Milford the first winter. They went back to Colorado the next spring, but crops were again so bad that they abandoned their homestead and returned to Milford. They were apparently able to raise only one load of wheat during the entire time they spent in Colorado. Jake, who would

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[1] In Willard R. Smith's book *Mennonites in Illinois* (Herald Press, Scottdale, PA, 1983) he is listed as a minister at the Waldo Mennonite Church from 1872-78; in *Herald of Truth* (15 Feb 1889) he is noted to be from Seward County, Nebraska. (The *Herald of Truth* was a Mennonite publication of the time). However according to the Mary Birkey Gascho obituary the Gaschos moved to Seward County, NE in 1877. Since Ben was born in 1878, he may or may not have been born at the time the family moved.

[2] *Herald of Truth*, 23:140, 1886.

have been about 18 years old, wanted to be baptized during the time they lived in Colorado, but could not be because his hair style did not please the bishop (perhaps his uncle, Joseph Schlegel)!

In 1895[3] when Joe would have been 24, he moved with his parents and siblings to Peach Orchard, Arkansas, not far from Little Rock. The purpose of this trip was to colonize; there were already other Mennonite families there (one was a Kauffman family). Although a land agent had painted a bright picture of the area, Arkansas did not live up to their expectations. There were trees that could be cut and sold for lumber, but the climate was rainy and the ground swampy. Family members are said to have developed typhoid fever and malaria. After only a short stay, the family returned to Nebraska. The children left first, by horse and wagon. Joe's brother Jake became sick and died at the age of 20. His body was sent back by train to the parents who were still in Arkansas and buried there. John Bawel, who was later to marry Joe's sister Katie, accompanied the body back to Arkansas.

The children in the wagon continued on their journey after the death of Jake, traveling towards Milford, Nebraska via Manson, Iowa. They asked for directions along the way, and were directed to Mason City instead of Manson. Although the younger travelers believed the directions given them were incorrect, the older travelers thought them correct, so the directions to Mason City were followed. Since Mason City was some 60 miles northeast of Manson, they went far out of their way (considering their mode of transportation was horses) and lost much time. They were treated poorly en route. Some took them for gypsies and would not even allow them to water their horses. When they finally arrived in Manson they had only 25 cents to their names.

Joe was sick almost the entire time the family was in Arkansas, supposedly with malaria. Although he improved as soon as they left Arkansas, his health was never good after that trip.

In Milford Joe's father set up a sorghum mill. Steam was used to power the machines to crush the sorghum stalks. The heat from the fire box used to generate the steam was used to cook the juice. The young people from the church enjoyed pulling taffy made from the molasses.

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[3] *Herald of Truth*, 15 Nov 1895, p 337.

The ancestors of Joe Gascho

Joe's parents, Joseph and Mary Birkey Gascho

Joe's father Joseph was born on December 14, 1841 in Woodford County, Illinois, near Flanagan, to John B. and Magdalena Von Gundy Gascho. He married Mary (Maria) Birkey on March 14, 1868.

Joseph was an Amish Mennonite minister for some 30 years. He was ordained and first served at the Waldo Amish Mennonite Church near Flanagan, Illinois; he later served in Milford, Nebraska.[4] He appears to have been progressive for his time; he preached in English at funeral services at a time when other ministers still used German, and he was an early promoter of the Sunday school which started in the Waldo Amish Mennonite church in 1868 and was finally accepted as part of the regular church service in 1875.[5] The *Herald of Truth* tells of trips he made to Canada, Ohio and Indiana in 1889 (with Mary)[6], to Livingston Co, Illinois that same year, and to Aurora (probably Illinois) with J. S. Coffman in 1890.

By trade Joseph was a carpenter; a dry sink he made as a wedding present for his son Joe and his bride Phoebe still exists. He once operated a sorghum mill. He was a "roamer", and was probably not a very good financial manager.

He developed cancer of the face and suffered considerably. He visited medical clinics in South Dakota and Savanna, Missouri in search of a cure, to no avail. His face was so disfigured at the time of his death that his body was not shown at the funeral. He died on February 1, 1902, near Milford, Nebraska, not long after his 61st birthday. A granddaughter (Minnie) was born in June of 1902 with a spot on her face;some blamed Minnie's mother Jacobina for the blemish, accusing her of looking at her father-in-law's face! Joseph's obituary describes his last days:

> "..when it became evident that the malady was incurable he was resigned and said, 'God's will be done.' When the end drew near he called to his side his beloved companion who had so loyally and lovingly ministered to his needs and who had for so many years shared with him the joys and sorrows of life, and earnestly admonished her to remain faithful unto the Lord. He also called his children, one by one, and gave them loving, fatherly counsel,

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[4] Willard R. Smith, *Mennonites in Illinois*; Herald Press, 1983, p 552.

[5] Harry F. Weber, *Centennial History of the Mennonites of Illinois*; Mennonite Historical Society of Goshen College, Goshen, IN, 1931, p 248.

[6] *Herald of Truth*, 15 Feb 1889, p 57.

entreating them to be faithful and obedient to their dear mother and to follow Jesus."[7]

Mary Birkey was the daughter of Joseph and Barbara Eigsti Birkey. She was born in Woodford County, Illinois, on December 28, 1850. She was a midwife, and likely helped in the delivery of the five oldest children of Joe and Phoebe. Physically, she was a "plump" woman and had poor eyesight, being blind or nearly blind at the time of her death. She was not educated; she may not have been able to read or write. It is said that she was "pleasant" but "did not laugh a lot." Shirley Jantzi Boshart recalls going to the home of her grandparents, Joe and Phoebe, one day because great-grandmother Mary Birkey Gascho was there. Shirley remembers her as being "real little" and dressed in black. Because she was blind, she had the great-grandchildren come to her so she could touch them with her hands to see how much they had grown.

She died on Christmas day in 1938, at the age of 87. Her obituary says "she was always a kind mother exercising a Christian spirit to all."[8] The couple are buried at the East Fairview Mennonite Church cemetery, near Milford, Nebraska.

Joe's paternal grandparents, John and Magdalena Von Gundy Gascho

Joseph's parents, John and Magdalena Von Gundy, came to Illinois from Schwartzburg, France[9] in about 1848, probably meeting on the ship.[10] Neither John nor Magdalena Von Gundy Gascho could read or write. According to United

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[7] *Herald of Truth*, 1 Mar 1902, p 77.

[8] *Gospel Herald*, 19 Jan 1939, p 903.

[9] The 1860 and 1870 census records list John's place of birth as France and the 1880 record as Alsace. In the 1860 census records Magdalena's birthplace is noted to be Bavaria, in 1870 France, and 1880 Schwarzburg.

[10] An older brother of John's, Joseph, (1792-1882) married Magdalena Ingold and moved to Huron County, Ontario, Canada. Joseph is the progenitor of the Ontario and Michigan Gaschos. Brothers Christian and Andrew (1802) were still in Europe in 1861. A sister Barbara (1800-1880) married Nicholas Augstien (later changed to Eigsti) and immigrated to Illinois. Lorraine Roth (personal communication) believes Joseph's parents were Andre and Anne Zwalter Cachot. There may have been two other siblings, Anne and Jacob.

States census records they were living in Woodford County, Illinois in 1860 and in Livingston County, Illinois in 1870.[11] John, also known as Johannes B., was a brother of Barbara Gascho Eigsti, who was the grandmother of Mary Birkey Gascho, wife of the Joseph Gascho born in 1841. Thus Joseph and Mary Birkey Gascho were first cousins once removed.

Joe's maternal grandparents, Joseph and Barbara Eigsti Birkey

Mary Birkey's parents were Joseph and Barbara Eigsti Birkey. Joseph and Barbara were married in 1847 in Germany and probably came to Illinois in 1848, settling in Tazewell County, Illinois. Barbara was the daughter of Barbara Gascho Eigsti, who was a sister of John Gascho, the grandfather of the Joe Gascho who married Phoebe Roth.

Phoebe (Jacobina) Roth

Jacobina (often called Phoebe, sometimes Bina) was born in Wilmendingen, Germany, on March 24, 1873. She was the 15th of 16 children born to Jacob[12] and Mary Lauber Roth[13]. The family lived in an area that was predominately Catholic. The family lived too far from a church to worship every Sunday, so Phoebe's father gathered the family each Sunday to worship in their own home.

Phoebe went to school in Germany through grade nine. She learned "high" German, and was very good in math. She also learned to knit and sew at school.

After Jacob's death in 1887, Mary Lauber Roth sent her daughter to Amer-

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[11] In the 1860 records Gascho is spelled "Gasher"; in the 1870 records "Gosho"; in the 1880 records from Seward County, Nebraska, "Gascho. In a letter to Johannes B. from his brother Joseph, who immigrated to Canada in 1853, the name is spelled "Gasho."

[12] Jacob was born on September 26 (or 29), 1824 in Wilmendingen (now Swartzen) Germany, and died on December 6, 1887. He was the son of Christian and Ida Zimmerman King.

[13] Mary was born April 23 (or 13, 14 or 20), 1832 and died on February 12 1906 (or 1905 or 1907)); she was the daughter of Benedict and Jakobena King Roth.

ica[14], where siblings Mike, Henry and Joe had already gone[15]. She left in 1889, with sister Katie and a brother, who later returned to Germany. There was a bad storm en route. Her mother in Germany heard that the ship had sunk and thought her daughter had died. Phoebe was so terrified by the storm that she refused to ever sail back to Europe to see her mother there. They arrived in New York Harbor on March 24, 1889, Jacobina's 16th birthday. She and her siblings went directly to Milford, Nebraska.

. Phoebe had no home when she first arrived in the Milford area, and is to have said that the Lord always supplied and provided for her. She initially attended public school to learn English. To earn money she did housework, supposedly for $100/year. When her brother Mike married Magdalene Gascho (sister of her future husband Joe Gascho) in 1892, Phoebe moved in with them.

The Roths and Gaschos of Milford were Amish Mennonite. Phoebe needed to dress more conservatively after she arrived in Milford, since she was not of Amish Mennonite background.

Phoebe's parents and grandparents, Jacob and Mary Lauber Roth

Phoebe's father, Jacob, was a bishop, supposedly highly respected by the Catholic priests of the area in which the family lived. Her mother was (Anna) Mary Lauber. Little is known about her parents and their parents (Benedict and Jacobina King Roth and Christian and Ida Zimmerman Lauber).

Joe and Phoebe's life together

Joe often visited the home of his sister, Magdalene, and brother-in-law, Mike Roth. There he would see Phoebe, who was living with her brother, Mike. Joe also visited her in Joseph Slagel's barn; they talked as she washed the milk separator. They apparently liked what they saw in each other, for they were

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[14] The reason Phoebe was sent to the United States is unclear. One wonders why Mary would have sent her next to the youngest daughter, at the age of 15 years, across the Atlantic Ocean. There is some question of discord in the family--one descendant said the older brothers "took over".

[15] They had likely gone there because of military conscription in Europe.

married by Joseph Slagel in the East Fairview Mennonite Church on December 15, 1898. Mike and Magdalene "made a wedding" for the couple. Chris, Joe's brother, and a John S. Roth were witnesses. The marriage license application bears witness to the Anabaptist heritage; the "swear" and "sworn to" are crossed off and replaced with "affirm" and "affirmed".[16] In the application and license, Joe used the middle initial "O."

When Joe and Phoebe were married they had few possessions. Phoebe had worked and saved some money with which they could buy essentials for housekeeping. Because Joe was the son of a minister, he had little money. He was given a blind horse and some machinery. Other wedding gifts included chickens and a cow or two.

The couple initially lived near Milford, where Joe rented and farmed land. Their first four children were born there: Mary, Minnie, Anna and Alvin. In 1905, Joe bought 120 acres of land, for $48/acre, not far from Wood River, Nebraska, because it was cheaper than land in the Milford area. On this land the "old home place" was later built. In looking for land to buy, Joe wanted land that was near a school, a Mennonite church, and a town. In the Milford area the children had to walk three miles to school, and he considered this distance too far. At the time, the Amish Mennonite church, founded in about 1903, was about 3 1/2 miles south of the land he bought. The school, District 37, was less than one half mile west and the town of Cairo was less than 6 miles away. Joe's brother Chris also bought 40 acres; together their land made up the southeast quarter of the section. The farm was located two miles east and three and one half miles south of Cairo, and two miles east and 8 miles north of Wood River. Chris sold his 40 acres to Joseph in 1910 or 1911 for $85/acre.

A house belonging to Billy (William) Stutzman was already on the land that was purchased when Joe and Phoebe moved from Milford in 1908[17]. (Billy's second wife was Barbara Gascho, Joe's sister). Joe and Phoebe moved their possessions by "Emigrant Car"--a Burlington railroad box car--except for the horses which came by land. Neighbors and friends helped them move the household possessions from the railroad station in Cairo to the house. They lived with Billy Stutzman's for several weeks until the Stutzmans found another house. The Stutzman house was a one-story structure, with four rooms and a lean-to

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[16] Of interest is that these same changes are not made in the marriage application of Joseph's brother, Katie, who married John Bawel in 1902.

[17] Milford is 100 miles due east of Cairo.

which contained the kitchen. When they first moved, the water supply came from a pump outside the house. A bathtub was purchased and placed near this pump. Pails under the kitchen sink and by the wash stands took care of other drainage. One year after moving a barn was built.

Mules were used for farm work and transportation. Alvin remembers going to church in a carriage pulled by mules named Jack and Jinnie. On one occasion the mules were frightened by the flopping curtains in a passing car. They ran away, and the wagon was damaged. Mama (the term the children used for Phoebe), Katie and Alvin were injured, and Joe's (Papa's) nose was broken.

In 1916, Papa bought a new Maxwell touring car. Harry remembers going along with his parents to Grand Island to get it. On the way home Mama was afraid they would be hit by a train when they crossed the railroad tracks.

The Gaschos lived in the old house, until 1918, when a new two-story house, with a coal/wood furnace was built. The kitchen was moved away from the old house and used for cooking while the new house was built. The family slept in the machine shed during the building of the new house; the carpenters slept in the hay mow in the barn. Harry remembers thinking that the carpenters were bad because they tore down the old house!

Carbide lamps were used for light. Grandchildren staying at Grandpa and Grandmas overnight (that was considered to be a treat) remember watching the lamps flicker out as they went to bed, and feeling "warm and cozy".

In the basement of the house was some type of engine; if the fly wheel was turned, electricity was produced. Grandchildren would stand in a circle, holding hands; someone would turn the wheel, and a shock of electricity went around the circle, startling to all but especially the unsuspecting.

There was an icehouse behind the barn. In the winter men cut blocks of ice from a nearby stream, and stored the ice between layers of straw in the ice house. A grandchild, Shirley Jantzi Boshart, remembers the coolness of the icehouse in hot Nebraska summers. (But children could visit the house only with an adult). It was a special treat when the ice was used to make homemade ice cream.

During World War I the relationships between the Mennonites and their non-Mennonite neighbors deteriorated. Papa shared some farm machinery with, and worked with, a neighbor named Mr. Lindsay. Although they continued to work together during World War I, they no longer ate together. The German speaking people of the neighborhood took out their telephones because they were interrupted by English speaking people when they tried to talk. (At that time there were no private lines; each party on a given "line" heard the rings calling for any party on the line, and could pick up the phone and disrupt the conversation). In

1921 reconciliation between the neighbors took place. Mama supposedly said that she was met with a handshake and after that "past was past".

Of the two, Mama was the dominant one; Papa more gentle and retiring.It is said that Mama prevented Papa from buying a hearing aid; after her death, he bought one, and remarked how wonderful it was to again be able to hear potatoes frying and the distant thunder! Mama wanted the family to speak German, while Papa did not seem to mind if the family did not. Delmar Roth remembers him saying to Mama, "You make them [the grandchildren] talk Dutch--I can't understand them!" There were occasional differences of opinion between Papa and Mama, but Papa told Harry, after Mama's funeral, that "Mama and I sometimes didn't agree but we always settled everything before going to sleep."

Family life

The Gascho family was a closely knit family. The family would sit in a circle, and each family member would read a Bible verse. On Sunday, Mama would read stories. One story was about a poor little girl who had very shabby shoes. Her father was a drunkard, and the mother told the little girl that the "shoes were in the jug," meaning that the money that should have been spent on shoes went for alcohol. So the little girl broke the jug of whiskey, expecting to find shoes in it!

The children were taught short German prayers at meals. In later years Papa would lead the song "Father We Thank Thee for the Night" at the breakfast table.

Katie had fond memories of playing as a child with Harry and Ida. "We had great times making play houses under the shade trees in summer. We would pick twine strings out of straw pile, then tie them together and stake out a house, our walks and partitions with the twine. With a lot of imagination."

In the evening, the children played games such as figmill, dominos, and a game in which a spool was whittled square on the sides and used as a top. The four sides were lettered P (for put), T (for take), L (for leave) and A (for all). Players started out with five or six kernels of corn. Each would in turn spin the top, then give away or take corn kernels from other players, depending on how the top landed.

The public school was less than a half mile away so the Gascho's were some of the closest to the school. On stormy days, Ida, Katie and Alvin were the only students at school, and the teacher would come home with them in the evening. Some of the teachers were Ethel Johnson (later to marry Claude Lindsey); May Ewing, and Eva Grossant. Students included Douglas Heyman, Lavern Hutton,

Ernest Hemmerling, Leroy Bedford and Hubert Hutton.

The three oldest daughters, Mary, Minnie and Anna, all died in their early thirties, each leaving six children. Four of Mary's children lived with Papa, Mama, Alvin, Harry, Katie and Ida. Minnie had lived with her husband Sid Beckler within a stone's throw of Papa and Mama. After Minnie died, her oldest child, Laverne, was responsible for the rest of the family, but Papa and Mama, with Alvin, Ida, Katie, and Harry also helped with their care. The grandchildren often came to Mama's on Saturday evening for bean soup and fresh baked sweet rolls. The beans cooked on the range while the huge batches of rolls and pie were baking in the oven. The family also gathered there for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Laverne, Minnie's oldest daughter, remembers one Christmas: after dinner was over, everyone went into the living room and "there was a tree--and it had play wrist watches on it."

Having as many as ten grandchildren around made for a hectic life at the Gascho home place. (Harry says that the experience made the idea of marriage and family less appealing to him, Alvin, Ida, and Katie!) The Beckler and Roth boys loved to use Harry, Alvin and Papa's work shop. They never seemed able to leave it in good order, so Papa devised methods to lock them out. Not to be outdone, they entered through a window or the chimney. The Gascho's were also likely worried at the windmill antics of the grandchildren/nephews. Maynerd in particular appeared to have no fear of heights. He would climb the 50 foot windmill and sit at the top, eating an apple. On another occasion several of the boys climbed part way up the windmill and threw a fledgling duck down into the water tank. Their aim was errant; the duck fell to its death when it hit the side of the tank instead of the water.

After his sickness in Arkansas, Papa was never strong. He was of slender build, weighing probably between 125 and 145 pounds. He could not stand the hot Nebraska summer sun. Once in harvest season, when Papa was to work on the binder, Harry or Alvin rigged up an umbrella to place over his head while he rode.

Papa was well known and respected in the community. He hauled grain and hogs to Cairo, and knew all the people along the way, often stopping and visiting a bit with them as he traveled. He was handy with tools and helped build the Wood River Mennonite Church. He was quite good at telling the time of day by looking at the sun. Robert Roth has a vivid memory of Papa reading from a large print Bible, using his magnifying glass. Shirley Jantzi Boshart remembers a time when she and cousin Laverne were playing in their "playhouse" behind the pig barn at the Gascho place (really a more imaginary than real playhouse, as it was

simply a twine outline of a playhouse). Papa stopped by to chat with them; this was a "precious time" since he was a man of few words. She took the example to heart as a lesson for her to take the time to show others that she cared by taking time to talk to them.

Although he was not as strong as some, and never as well as he would have liked after his sickness in Arkansas, on occasion he could move at a rapid pace. One day a fire broke out in the Robert Dickey house (the house just to the east of the Gascho house, where Alvin later lived). The Gaschos left everything to run over to help. Papa broke the basement window (cutting himself in the process), and called for people to bring water from the stock tanks to throw on the fire. He was successful in extinguishing it.

After the death of his wife, Papa moved in 1948 to Cairo to live with Ida and Katie. He was not well during his last years. He died at age 83, on August 22, 1954, in Cairo, and was buried in the Wood River Mennonite Church cemetery. The church was packed at his funeral service.

An important matter that caused conflict within not only the Gascho family but also the Wood River Mennonite Church community was Papa's will. The will, which had been written some years before Papa's death, specified that the 160 acres of Gascho land be divided among the four living children, who had cared for nieces, nephews and parents for many years, and that the grandchildren of Mary, Minnie and Anna be given money. By the time of Papa's death, the land had increased in value while the money willed to each of the living grandchildren was of less value that when the will was first made out. This situation seemed to some church persons (who were not relatives of the Gaschos) to be unfair to the living grand-children. They in particular blamed Alvin, who had no part in the writing of the will and in fact had asked Papa to rewrite it. To make up any differences that occurred because of land appreciation between the time of the writing and the probation of the will, first Alvin and later Harry voluntarily made cash payments to each of the living grandchildren of Mary, Minnie and Ann. This settlement was especially difficult for Harry, who had to sell his 40 acres in order to make the payments.

Mama was a heavy woman, "of Roth stock". She, too, had health problems, such as gall stones, kidney stones, hypertension and palpitations. Alvin remembers giving his parents silverware for their 25th wedding anniversary prior to the actual anniversary because he thought Mama was going to die! Some question if she was as ill as she claimed to be, and that she tended to feel sorry for herself. Yet who can blame her for grieving the premature death of three daughters, each leaving six children, ten of whom she mothered as a grand-

mother? She is also remembered by some as being short tempered and tending to cry to get her way.

Mama was quite strict. Granddaughters were not allowed "to primp". When Robert Roth gave his girl friend, Grace Troyer, a heart-shaped locket, Mama told Grace, "You need two hearts, do you?" The Wood River Mennonite Church was quite strict at this time, so perhaps Mama's strictness was in keeping with the practices of the church.

To make money, Mama churned cream into butter, then sold it, house to house, in Cairo. She was known for her neat garden. She often helped families when there were illnesses, and took care of her own children when they were sick. One of Shirley Jantzi Boshart's memories is of Mama knitting: stockings, mittens and caps--caps with big pom poms on top. The articles were often given as Christmas presents to grandchildren, but sometimes Shirley wished she would stop knitting and pay more attention to her!

She died suddenly, after a ten day hospitalization, in Grand Island, on March 3, 1945, three weeks before her 72nd birthday. She had entered the hospital with pneumonia, but may have died of a pulmonary embolus (blood clot to the lung). Ida relates that on the morning of her death she sat up for breakfast, asking the nurse for the jelly that Ida and Katie had sent to her. When the nurse came back with the jelly, she was dead. She was buried in the Wood River Mennonite Church Cemetery. At her funeral, one person said, "There lays our missionary."

Joe and Phoebe's Children

Mary

Mary, the oldest child, was born on December 3, 1899 near Milford, Nebraska. Katie remembers her as "more sober" than her sisters, Minnie and Anna. Harry describes her as "kind and considerate." Mary, as the oldest child, who had no brother until seven years after her birth, helped her father as a child and teenager; she was skilled in the use of carpentry tools. She learned to drive the car that was purchased in 1916, at a time when few women drove cars. Mary married Abe Roth on January 2, 1924, at the Gascho home and moved with him to Chappell, in western Nebraska. Abe's first wifeLeah Boshart had died, leaving a daughter, Agnes, who became a part of the Abe and Mary Gascho Roth family. Six children were born to Abe and Mary. Two weeks after the birth of the last child, Irene, on July 4, 1930, Mary died. The oldest, Robert, was not yet 6 years old when his mother died. The cause of her death was probably septicemia (blood

poisoning). Papa and Mama Gascho, with several of Mary's siblings, were with Mary at the time of her death. Mama asked Mary if she could help in any way and Mary asked Mama to take the girls (Josephine and Irene). Later, Abe married Catherine McDoodle, who wanted to keep Josephine and Irene. Perhaps because of Mary's death bed request, the girls were not allowed to return to their father and his new wife.

After the funeral, Josephine and Irene returned to Wood River. Robert came either at the same time or a month later. Delmar came several months later, and still has bitter memories of how he was separated from his father. He was very much a "daddy's boy," staying out with him even after dark to do chores despite being only five years old. A friend of his father brought him to Cairo from Chappell. There they attended a farm sale, and Delmar became separated, apparently deliberately, from the person who had brought him. He came home to the Gascho house with Harry and Alvin from the sale instead of returning to Chapell with Lester. Delmar was terribly distraught. Delmar remembers that Harry took him for a ride in the hay field that evening, on a stacking cart, pulled by horses. This seemed to comfort Delmar. Delmar considered Harry his first friend, and says he doesn't know what he would have done without him.

Both Robert and Delmar have memories of their mother. Robert recalls his mother washing him and praying with him. Robert still has a scar on his right arm related to a childhood accident. He caught that arm in the wringer of an old fashioned washer. His mother was nearby, but was so shaken that she did not stop the wringer, but instead ran to get Abe, who left his horses and came running to Robert's rescue. When he returned, the horses had run off. Delmar remembers that he and Robert were both appropriately punished by their mother after being caught in the act of dropping lighted matches on top of the cows in the barn--and then being punished again in the evening when their father returned!

Life with the grandparents, uncles and aunts, after the death of their mother, was surely different from life with the parents. The children remember the strict religous standards of their life. Josephine recalls no expressions of love from Mama.

The four children of Mary living with their grandparents were close friends to Minnie's children, who lived very near by. When Minnie died, about 5 years after four of Mary's children had moved in with Papa and Mama, this friendship deepened.

In adulthood, Robert and Josephine married and moved to the Milford area. Delmar married and eventually ended up living in the Gascho house; Chester and Edward married and stayed in western Nebraska/Colorado. Chester died leaving no children. Irene stayed with Katie and Ida in Cairo until her death in early adulthood.

Minnie

Minnie was born near Milford, Nebraska on June 20, 1902. She had wavy red hair, and was the sister with "lots of friends." Minnie met Sidney Beckler at Wood River Mennonite Church. Sidney later told the children that when he returned from dating Minnie, he "turned the reins loose on the way home, went to sleep and the horse went on home." Minnie and Sid were married on December 25, 1919, also in the Gascho house, almost six months before Minnie's 18th birthday. Katie says she wore a blue satin dress and had high topped shoes "which seemed very expensive...We smaller children had a very skimpy Christmas that year!" They had no car when married; Sid did have a bicycle with one pedal broken off (Katie used it to learn to ride). They first lived on one of Sid's father's farms, the "Cates" place, where Laverne was born. Orval and Maynerd were born at the "Grove" place. When financial difficulties came, they moved the house to within a stone's throw of the Gascho house. Papa added a kitchen and cellar to the house. There the last three children were born.

Raymond remembers his mother helping the children study the Sunday school lesson on Saturday nights. Katie says Minnie was "very joyful" and that she sang as she hung the clothes out to dry. Minnie always wanted a Maytag washing machine. In 1930, Papa Gascho said that if there was a good crop, he would buy Mama a new Maytag. The crop was a good one, Papa and Mama got a new one, and Minnie was given the old one.

Minnie died on October 8, 1935, at the age of 33, leaving six children. Laverne was 14, Homer, one. Minnie died in hospital, after an operation. Some claim the surgeon "did too much". Laverne said, "The morning [Minnie] left for the hospital, I knew in my heart, she would never come back." It is likely that she died of a pulmonary embolus (blood clot to the lungs). Sid (son), Laverne and Orvil had visited her and found her doing well, but before they left the hospital parking lot they were told that she had died. Raymond remembers hearing Alvin answer the phone and say, "Oh, no," upon hearing that Minnie had died. Raymond remembers the shock that passed around the room with the terrible news.

When her mother passed away, the responsibility of helping to raise the family fell on Laverne, who was only 14. Laverne says, "After our mother's death, most of my memories are sad...I was never really happy after mom's death." Papa and Mama, with the four unmarried children lived close by, and helped care for Minnie's children, along with four of Mary's children. Homer, the youngest at the time of Minnie's death, spent more time than the others at Papa and Mama Gascho's. Sid, who worked on the railroad, would bring Homer a candy bar when

he came home in the evening. Delmar recalls jealously watching Homer eat the lone candy bar! Katie came to their home on Sunday mornings to help the children get dressed for church.

Sometime after Minnie's death, Sid moved the family to a house near Abbott, about ten miles to the east and north of the Gascho home place. Abbot was closer to Sid's railroad work. About four years after Minnie's death he was married to Blanch Booth. Laverne began working in Grand Island, where she met her future husband, Cy, when he worked with her father. She later married him, while he was in the military service. Since he was stationed in California, that is where they set up house-keeping. Four of her five brothers later followed her to California; all have married and remained there, except Orval, who moved to Oregon. Maynerd, a minister, died in 1980. Raymond married and remained in Nebraska.

Anna

Anna was born on March 19, 1904, in Milford, Nebraska. Harry describes her as being "outgoing". She dated Royden Bertram Jantzi, but the relationship ended when the Jantzi family moved to Oregon. However, the Jantzi's soon returned to Nebraska, and Royden and Anna resumed their relationship, which culminated in their marriage in the Gascho house on January 3, 1923. Anna was 18 years old when she was married.

Ruth, one of Anna's children, relates an interesting incident.. She once licked a lid from a tin can that contained beans. Her mother was worried that she was poisoned, she had two older siblings force Ruth to drink cream, to induce vomiting. Ruth survived despite the unusual and ineffective therapy: she downed the cream but only became nauseated and did not vomit!

Shirley, her oldest daughter, remembers her as a wise woman with a quiet, gentle spirit but a woman of action. One evening Shirley and Roland were told to watch younger brother Bob while Anna milked the cows. Instead they turned their attention to their father who was plowing in a nearby field and ran to meet him, so they could ride back to the barn on the horses. When Anna came out of the barn, her older children were nowhere to be seen, but little Bob was floating in the cattle tank. She jumped into the tank, grabbed the child and ran with him to the house. Shirley remembers the plop of water-sodden shoes on the porch floor and the look of disappointment on mother's face.

Anna died on January 18, 1935, after a miscarriage. She left six living children, just as had her two older sisters. A seventh child, Betty, died at age one

year. A physician had been called to care for her; when he arrived he was obviously drunk, and was given black coffee in an attempt to "sober him up." When Anna was told she was going to die, she called her children to her and told them that it was her wish that they would all meet in heaven.

Ruth recalls being held by Mama Gascho at the grave side, and that Mama cried so hard that Ruth feared being dropped into the grave. Ruth also has memories of the black dresses with "Peter Pan" collars made by her aunts for her and her sisters.

One family memory is of the center of an old windmill that Royden converted into a merry-go-round. The Jantzi boys loved to entertain the Roth and Beckler cousins, taking them for wild rides on the merry-go-round, with enough speed that usually at least one cousin "upchucked." But the ride was so much fun that the nauseated person would laugh and get back on for more.

In February of 1936 Royden, Anna's husband, married Emma Birkey, from Oregon (Royden had dated her prior to his marriage to Anna). Royden and Emma first lived in Nebraska, with the six children that had been born to Royden and Anna, but within one or two years, moved to Oregon. Two children, Carolyn and Billy, were born to Emma and Royden. Four of Royden and Anna's children married and remain in Oregon. Two (Ruth and Leo) now reside in Canada. Ruth moved there when she remarried after her first husband's death.

Alvin

Alvin was born on March 25, 1906, near Milford, Nebraska. He was one year old when the family moved to the farm near Cairo. As the oldest son, whose father was not strong, he assumed farm responsibilites at an early age. He was an excellent student, especially in arithmetic, but opted not to go on to high school, perhaps because of farm work. He was very shy and did not date as a young man.

As a young adult he farmed the Gascho land, using horses and mules. Later, when Harry grew older, he and Harry both farmed the Gascho land as well as other rented land. He and Harry, and later Alvin alone had a threshing machine which was used to thresh grain for the Gaschos and neighbors.

Alvin had a knack for the mechanical. For example, he took the motor from the old Maxwell car, set it on a frame with wheels, and then used the apparatus as a power source for a buzz saw and a feed grinder. When the engine broke down, he overhauled it himself with used parts he purchased at a junk yard. The apparatus must have looked quite unreliable. The engine was once used to help two neighbors saw wood. They looked dubiously at it, not thinking it could power

the saws. But Alvin said later that it worked so efficiently that the questioning men didn't even have time to light their pipes all afternoon!

In 1941, Ammon Stoltzfus, the minister at Wood River Mennonite Church moved to Iowa. The Sunday after Ammon left (March 2, 1941), the church members elected Alvin by "outstanding"[18] vote as the new minister. He was ordained that same day, and the next Sunday preached his first sermon.

Alvin was always ready to help others. Katie remembers that he allowed his widow sister Minnie, who lived close by and had several children, to milk his cow when her cow was dry. She also tells how he financially helped young married couples who were "striving to make ends meet."

Alvin met his future wife, Cora Irene Garber Kauffman in 1940 at an Iowa-Nebraska Mennonite church conference. Irene was the widow of Herbert Kauffman, of Minot, North Dakota. They began corresponding by letter in September of 1942 and were married on June 16, 1943, in Alpha, Minnesota. Marriage for Alvin meant becoming a step-father to Hope Kathleen, Irene's daughter. Joseph was born to Alvin and Irene in 1947. Alvin farmed and served as minister at Wood River Mennonite until 1960. In that year he and his family moved to Harrisonburg, Virginia, in part because of Alvin's poor health, in part to allow their son, Joseph, to attend Eastern Mennonite High School, and in part because of the strife-ridden Wood River Mennonite church situation. Alvin worked first as a night watchman and then in maintenance at Eastern Mennonite College. The move away from relatives and friends to a more urban environment, in which many fellow believers were more educated, was very difficult for him.

In the mid 1960's he and Irene served as superintendent and matron of the Virginia Mennonite Home in Harrisonburg, Virginia. In later years Alvin supervised retarded young adults in performing duties such as putting boxes together. He and Irene made frequent trips back to Nebraska. He served as interim pastor at Wood River Mennonite Church in 1966.

In 1975 he developed multiple myeloma, a type of bone cancer. He died in Charlottesville, Virginia on April 18, 1982, and was buried at the Dayton Mennonite Church Cemetery, several miles south of Harrisonburg, Virginia. Irene continues to live in Harrisonburg; Joseph is married and lives in Pennsylvania.

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[18] *Gospel Herald*, 22 May 1941, p 169.

Ida

Ida was born on March 6, 1908 at the Gascho house. Her young adult years were spent raising nieces and nephews. She moved, with her sister Katie and father, from the old Gascho home place to Cairo in 1948. There she and Katie cared for their father and Irene, the youngest child of their sister Mary, who had epilepsy after a high fever at a young age. (Taking care of Irene was not always easy. Either Katie or Ida slept with her every night in to care for if she had a convulsion.)

In the mid 1950's, Ida took medication for troubling arthritis. The medication brought on gastrointestinal bleeding, leading to the diagnosis of ulcerative colitis, and Ida underwent major surgery in 1955. Katie, who was preparing to marry Joe Unternahrer at this time, thought perhaps she should remain single in order to care for her sister. But Joe promised Katie he would help her care for Ida, and so Katie and Joe married. Uncle Chris Gascho also moved into the Cairo house to help Ida.

Ida is known for the many quilts she pieced and quilted. She was also a caregiver: from the age of 22 to the age of 46 she cared for nieces, nephews and parents and later for elderly persons. She suffered a stroke in March of 1994 which left her left aside partially paralyzed. She resides at a retirement home in Wood River, Nebraska. Her home, which was the house to which she, Katie and their father moved in 1948, was sold in the fall of 1994.

Katie

Katie was born near Cairo on May 21, 1910. She was delivered by a Dr. Redfield. who came to the house in a little red car. Katie says she was "a sickly baby, a weakling I guess," not walking until the age of 18 months." Of course I made up for it since then. Ha!" She remembers playing with Ida and Harry and herding cows on the roadside and in the stubble field after the grain was cut. She also recalls exploring Sid and Minnie's first house and finding "things we thought were so wonderful". She was excited about the birth of the first niece, Laverne, and says she was "such a very happy but bashful aunt." She remembers sitting in the shade tending Laverne while Minnie helped in the field.

On April 14, 1955, she married Joe Unternahrer, who had moved to Cairo from Colorado. Joe and Katie initially lived in La Junta, Colorado, where Katie took a practical nursing course. They then moved to Cairo, where they first rented and then bought a house three blocks from the house in which Ida lived; they later bought a house across the road from Ida. Joe worked as a carpenter. Katie was also a caregiver to nieces, nephews, parents and later elderly persons. She died

of cancer on December 26, 1990, and is buried in the Wood River Mennonite Church Cemetery. Katie is remembered as a "prayer warrior". Joe continues to live in the house in Cairo where he and Katie lived for many years.

Harry

Harry was born on March 8, 1913, at the Gascho house, the youngest of the seven children of Joe and Phoebe. As the age of eight years he very nearly died from a severe ear infection that was complicated by blood poisoning and blood clots in a leg and neck vein. He and Alvin used horses to farm the Gascho land as well as land Alvin rented from neighbors. When he reached the age of 21 years, he was given some of the farm machinery by his father and began farming on his own. Later he and Alvin bought a threshing machine and tractor and did threshing for neighbors.

Harry remembers being teased about girls; he reacted by not asking girls for dates! He continued this practice during three six week terms at Hesston College, in 1939, 1940 and 1941. At Hesston he was given a diploma for the teacher training course and the Christian worker course.

He was drafted during World War II, and served in Civilian Public Service camps, first in Fort Collins, Colorado, and then in Terry, Montana. In 1944, he was transferred to Beltsville, Maryland for relief training, which he had requested. It was there that he met Elva Newswanger,a young woman from Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, who was working at the office of National Service Board for Religious Objectors in Washington, D.C. He apparently changed his mind about dating, for he and Elva were married on February 18, 1946 at Cottage City Mennonite Church, near Beltsville, Maryland. Harry and Elva served with Mennonite Central Committee in China in various places from August of 1946 until April of 1949; they left prematurely because of the fighting in China.

Harry and Elva farmed Papa's farm when they returned from China; it was there that James (who died soon after birth), Timothy, Luke and Mary Beth were born. In 1955, they moved to Cass Lake, Minnesota, to give church leadership. Harry was licensed in 1955, then ordained as minister in 1956 at the Cass Lake Mennonite Church. In 1961, he was ordained as bishop, responsible for the oversight of several churches over a wide geographic area. In addition to his church leadership responsibilities, Harry farmed, raised cattle and later did carpentry work. In 1978, Harry and Elva had sale and moved to Elkhart, Indiana. There they were involved in Voluntary Service until 1988, when they retired to Greencroft, in Goshen, Indiana.

Harry and Elva's oldest son, Timothy, lives in Alabama. Luke and Mary Beth are married, and live in Pennsylvania and Virginia, respectively.

Ancestors of Joe and Phoebe Roth Gascho

Ancestors of Joe (Joseph) Gascho

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                |John B. GASCHO 1810-1870
        |Joseph GASCHO 1841-1902
        |       | Magdalina VON GUNDY 1810-1881
Joseph GASCHO
        |                |Christian BIRKEY ??-c. 1840
        |           |Valentine BIRKEY 1794-1860
        |       |Joseph BIRKEY 1794-1860
        |       |   |Elizabeth UNZICKER ??-1848
        |Mary BIRKEY 1850-1938
                |   |Nicholas A. AUGSTIEN (EIGSTI)
                |Barbara EIGSTI 1827-1911
                    |Barbara GASCHO 1800-1880
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Ancestors of Phoebe (Jacobina) Roth

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                        |Hans ROTH 1728-1794
                    |Jakob ROTH 1765-1841
                    |       |Frenie KAUFFMAN 1745-1776
                |Benedict ROTH 1815-1848
                |       |Barbara WAGNER 1775-1841
        |Jacob ROTH 1824-1887
        |       |Jacobena KING 1798-1853
Jacobina ROTH
        |       |Christian LAUBER
        |Anna Marie LAUBER 1832-1906
                |Ida ZIMMERMAN
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Children of the Ancestors of Joe and Phoebe Roth Gascho

Children of Joseph and Mary Birkey Gascho

1. John GASCHO *1869-1886*
2. **Joseph GASCHO** *1871-1954*
   sp-**Jacobina ROTH** *1873-1945*
3. Magdalene GASCHO *1872-1939*
   sp-Michael ROTH *1868-1938*
4. Chris GASCHO *1874-1958*
5. Jake GASCHO *1876-1896*
6. Ben GASCHO *1878-1963*
   sp1-Mary EICHELBERGER *1883-1930*
   sp2-Elizabeth Eicher YEACKLEY *1885-1974*
7. Barbara GASCHO *1880-1963*
   sp-William STUTZMAN *1877-1956*
8. Katie GASCHO *1882-1928*
   sp-John BAWEL *1869-1960*
9. William GASCHO *1884-1941*
10. Lydia GASCHO *1888-1983*
    sp-Ammon A HERSHBERGER *1885-1968*
11. Arthur GASCHO *1890-1948*
    sp1-Barbara STUTZMAN *1897-1942*
    sp2-Laura STUTZMAN *1885-1963*
12. Mary GASCHO *1893-1976*
    sp-Peter STUTZMAN *1888-1969*

Children of John B. and Magdalina Von Gundy Gascho

1. Christ? GASCHO
2. Christ? GASCHO
3. Anna Lena GASCHO *1839-1873*
   sp-John ALBRECHT *1833-1900*
4. **Joseph GASCHO** *1841-1902*
   sp-**Mary BIRKEY** *1850-1938*
5. John N GASCHO *1844-1883*
   sp-Catherine SCHLEGEL *1843-1916*
6. Catherine GASCHO *1848-1907*
   sp-Jacob STREID *1842-1915*
7. Barbara GASCHO *1853-1926*
   sp-Joseph SCHLEGEL *1847-1914*

Children of Joseph and Barbara Eigsti Birkey

1. Valentine BIRKEY *1849-1925*
   sp1-Magdalena SALTZMAN *1850-1891*
   sp2-Magdalena SUTTER *1863-1944*
2. **Mary BIRKEY** *1850-1938*
   sp-**Joseph GASCHO** *1841-1902*
3. Magdalena BIRKEY *1853-1924*
   sp-Joseph REDIGER *1845-1938*
4. Jacobina BIRKEY *1857-1916*
   sp-Joseph HAUDER *1847-1923*
5. Susan BIRKEY *1860-1937*
   sp-Andrew KREMER *1860-1938*
6. Fannie BIRKEY *1863-1944*
   sp-Jacob SALTZMAN *1856-1944*
7. Peter BIRKEY *1867-1947*
   sp1-Mary STIEDER *1869-1943*
   sp2-Phoebe SCHERTZ *1869-1943*
8. Nickolus BIRKEY
9. Infant BIRKEY
10. Infant BIRKEY

Children of Jacob and Anna Marie Lauber Roth

1. Christian ROTH *1855-1912*
2. Benedick ROTH *1857-1927*
3. Jakob ROTH *1858-1898*
4. Daniel ROTH *1859-1927*
5. Katharina ROTH *1862-1921*
6. Anna ROTH *1865-1916*
7. Michael ROTH *1868-1938*
   sp-Magdalene GASCHO *1872-1939*
8. Henry ROTH *1869-1932*
9. Joseph ROTH *1870-1928*
10. Magdalena ROTH *1871-1906*
11. **Jacobina ROTH** *1873-1945*
    sp-**Joseph GASCHO** *1871-1954*
12. Benjamin ROTH *1874-1952*

Children of Benedict and Jakobena King Roth

1. Magdelena ROTH *1816-??*
2. Barbara ROTH *1818-??*
3. Benedick ROTH *1820-??*
4. Christian ROTH *1821-??*
5. **Jacob ROTH** *1824-1887*
   sp-**Anna Marie LAUBER** *1832-1906*
6. Verena ROTH *1827-??*
7. Maria ROTH *1828-??*
8. Nicklous ROTH *1831-??*
9. Katharina ROTH *1833-??*
10. Christian ROTH *1834-??*

Children of Christian and Ida Zimmerman Lauber

1. **Anne Marie LAUBER** *1832-1906*
   sp-**Jacob ROTH** *1854-1887*

Other children unknown

Children of Nicholas A. and Barbara Gascho Augstein

1. Mary EIGSTI *1823-1904*
2. Kathryn EIGSTI *1825*
   sp-John BURKEY
3. **Barbara EIGSTI** *1827-1911*
   sp-**Joseph BIRKEY** *1816-1902*
4. Joseph EIGSTI *1830-1899*
   sp-Susan NAFFSINGER *1837-1877*
5. Christian EIGSTI *1832-1903*
   sp-Elizabeth ORENDORFF *1844-1881*
   sp-Barbara BELLER *1847-1887*
   sp-Barbara YORDY
   sp-Veronica *1841-1929*
6. Jacob EIGSTI *1833-1914*
   sp-Veronica ALBRECHT *1844-1903*
7. Magdalena EIGSTI *1836-1906*
   sp-Henry BIRKY *1831-1918*
8. Jacobina EIGSTI *1838-1913*
   sp-Christian SEARS *1831-1891*
9. Veronica EIGSTI *1839-1921*
   sp-Andrew HAUTER *1837-1929*
10. Elizabeth EIGSTI *1842-1849*
11. John EIGSTI *1845-1925*
    sp-Barbara MILLER *1854-1926*

DESCENDANTS OF JOE AND PHOEBE ROTH GASCHO

FIRST GENERATION

(1) **Joseph Gascho**, son of Joseph and Mary (Birkey) Gascho, was born 11 Feb 1871 near Flanagan, Livingston Co, IL and was married 15 Dec 1898 near Milford, Seward Co, NE to **Jacobina (Phoebe) Roth,** daughter of Jacob and Anna Marie (Lauber) Roth, who was born 24 Mar 1873 in Wilmendingen, Germany. Joseph died 22 Aug 1954 in Cairo, Hall Co, NE and was buried in the Wood River Mennonite Cemetery, Hall Co, NE. Jacobina died 3 Mar 1945 in Hall Co, NE and was buried in the Wood River Mennonite Cemetery, Hall Co, NE.

Children:

2 **Mary Gascho**; b. 3 Dec 1899 near Milford, Seward Co, NE; d. 4 Jul 1930 in Chappel, Deuel Co, NE; bu. Chappel Mennonite Cemetery, Chappel, Deuel Co, NE.

3 **Minnie Gascho**; b. 20 Jun 1902 near Milford, Seward Co, NE; d. 8 Oct 1935 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE; bu. Wood River Mennonite Cemetery, Hall Co, NE.

4 **Anna Gascho**; b. 19 Mar 1904 near Milford, Seward Co, NE; d. 18 Jan 1935 near Wood River, Hall Co, NE; bu. Wood River Mennonite Cemetery, Hall Co, NE.

5 **Alvin Gascho**; b. 25 Mar 1906 near Milford, Seward Co, NE; d. 18 Apr 1982 in Charlottesville, Albemarle Co, VA; bu. Dayton Mennonite Cemetery, Rockingham Co, VA.

6 **Ida Gascho**; b. 6 Mar 1908 near Cairo, Hall Co, NE. The Good Samaritan Home, Wood River, NE 68883; 308-583-2213.

7 **Katie Gascho**; b. 21 May 1910 near Cairo, Hall Co, NE.; d. 26 Dec 1990 in Cairo, Hall Co, NE; bu. Wood River Mennonite Cemetery, Hall Co, NE.

8 **Harry Gascho**; b. 8 Mar 1913 near Cairo, Hall Co, NE.

SECOND GENERATION

(2) **Mary Gascho** was married 2 Jan 1924 at the Gascho home, near Cairo, Hall Co, NE to **Abe Roth**, son of Edward and Emma (Stutzman) Roth, who was born 19 Sep 1899 in Chappell, Deuel Co, NE. Abe was first married to Leah Boshart[1]; after Mary's death he was married to Catherine McDoodle. Leah Boshart was born 21 Feb 1897 near Milford, Seward Co, NE and died 16 Mar 1919 in Chappell, Deuel Co, NE.

Children:

9 **Robert Roy Roth**; b. 23 Sep 1924 in Chappell, Deuel Co, NE.
10 **Delmar Dean Roth**; b. 7 Sep 1925 in Chappell, Deuel Co, NE.
11 **Josephine Roth**; b. 24 Oct 1926 in Chappell, Deuel Co, NE.
12 **Chester Lee Roth**; b. 14 Jan 1928 in Chappell, Deuel Co, NE; d. 14 Dec 1957 in or near Marysville, Yuba Co, CA; bu. Mennonite Cemetery, Chappel, Deuel Co, NE next to his mother.
13 **Edward John Roth**; b. 2 May 1929 in Chappell, Deuel Co, NE
14 **Irene Roth**; b. 20 Jun 1930 in Chappell, Deuel Co, NE; d. 18 Mar 1952 in Cairo, Hall Co, NE; bu. Wood River Mennonite Cemetery, Wood River, Hall Co, NE.

(3) **Minnie Gascho** was married 25 Dec 1919 in the Gascho home, near Cairo, Hall Co, NE to **Sidney Beckler,** who was born 17 Sep 1879 in NE. Sidney was later married (11 Feb 1940) in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE to Blanche Beatrice Booth, daughter of Charles Milo and Lillie (Brown) Booth, who was born 28 Nov 1918 in Ericson, Wheeler Co, NE.[2] Sidney died 18 Dec 1966 in Hall Co, NE and was buried in the Wood River Mennonite Cemetery, Hall Co, NE.

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[1]The child of Abe and Leah Boshart Roth is **Agnes Roth**.

[2] Children of Sidney and Blanche (Booth) Beckler are **Betty Ann** (born 24 Dec 1940, married to **Joe Bucal**) and **Paul Edward** (born 22 Nov 1944, married to **Sadie Johnson**).

Children:

15 **Laverne Beckler**; b. 22 Jan 1921 near Wood River, Hall Co, NE.
16 **Orval Beckler**; b. 9 May 1923 near Wood River, Hall Co, NE.
17 **Maynerd Beckler**; b. 10 Jun 1925 near Wood River, Hall Co, NE; d. 28 Feb 1980 in Turlock, Stanislaus Co, CA.
18 **Raymond Beckler**; b. 16 Dec 1927 near Wood River, Hall Co, NE.
19 **Sidney Beckler**; b. 20 Nov 1930 near Cairo, Hall Co, NE.
20 **Homer Beckler**; b. 3 Aug 1934 near Cairo, Hall Co, NE.

(4) **Anna Gascho** was married 3 Jan 1923 in the Gascho home, near Cairo, Hall Co, NE to **Royden Bertrum Jantzi**, son of John B. and Mary Magdalena (Conrad) Jantzi, who was born 17 Aug 1901 in Milford, Seward Co, NE. Royden was later married (16 Feb 1936) to Emma Mary Birky, daughter of Joseph and Caroline (Lund) Birky, who was born 13 Sep 1902 in Wisner, Cuming Co, NE and died 2 Aug 1992 in Albany, Linn Co, OR.[3]Royden Bertrum died 18 Oct 1967 in Albany, Linn Co, OR.

Children:

21 **Shirley Marie Jantzi**; b. 3 Nov 1923 near Wood River, Hall Co, NE
22 **Roland Dale Jantzi**; b. 25 Jul 1925 near Wood River, Hall Co, NE.
23 **Robert Wayne Jantzi**; b. 1 May 1927 near Wood River, Hall Co, NE.
24 **Betty Fern Jantzi**; b. 23 Dec 1928 near Wood River, Hall Co, NE; d. 22 Mar 1930 near Wood River, Hall Co, NE; bu. Wood River Mennonite Cemetery, Hall Co, NE.
25 **Ruth Pauline Jantzi**; b. 24 Sep 1930 near Wood River, Hall Co, NE.
26 **John Joseph Jantzi**; b. 5 Jul 1932 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE.
27 **Leo Roy Jantzi**; b. 13 Feb 1934 near Wood River, Hall Co, NE.

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[3] Children of Royden and Emma (Birkey) Jantzi are **Caroline Lavonne** (born 25 Dec 1937, married to **Melvin Wolfer Jr.**) and **Billy Dean** (born 29 Sep 1939, married 21 Oct 1960 to **Judy Yoder**).

(5) **Alvin Gascho** was married 16 Jun 1943 in Alpha, Jackson Co, MN to **Cora Irene Garber Kauffman**, daughter of Leonard Harvey and Sarah Adeline (Grove) Garber, who was born 7 Aug 1908 in Alpha, Jackson Co, MN. Cora Irene was previously married (6 Oct 1934) in Alpha, Jackson Co, MN to Herbert King Kauffman, son of David Gideon and Anna E (King) Kauffman, who was born 27 Oct 1908 in Garden City, Cass Co, MO and died 28 Dec 1934 in Minot,Ward Co, ND.[4] Alvin was a farmer and an ordained Mennonite minister. 1301 Virginia Avenue, Harrisonburg VA 22801; 703-564-3531.

Children:

28 **Joseph Alvin Gascho**; b. 20 Feb 1947 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE.

(7) **Katie Gascho** was married 14 Apr 1955 in Wood River, Hall Co, NE to **Joe (Joseph) Unternahrer**, son of Joseph and Magdalena (Ruby) Unternahrer, who was born 3 Oct 1910 near Thurman, Washington Co, CO. Joe is a retired carpenter. P.O. Box 231, Cairo, NE 68824; 308-485-4684.

(8) **Harry Gascho** was married 28 Feb 1946 in Cottage City, Prince Georges Co, MD to **Elva Frances Newswanger**, daughter of Reuben Wenger and Mary Eshbach (Ressler) Newswanger, who was born 7 Jun 1912 near Strasburg, Lancaster Co, PA. Harry is a retired farmer; he is an ordained Mennonite minister and bishop. 1425 Greencroft Dr, #265, Goshen IN; 219-534-2190.

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[4] The child of Herbert and Cora (Garber) Kauffman is **Hope Kathleen** (born 31 Aug 1935 in Mountain Lake, Cottonwood Co, MN, married 20 Jun 1957 near Wood River, Hall Co, NE to **Clifford Roy Lind**, son of Lloyd Lawrence and Mary (Zehr) Lind). Their children are **Janet Louise** (born. 15 Feb 1960, married 23 Jul 1983 to **Calvin Eugene Esh**); **Myron Dale** (born 20 Jan 1962, married 29 Dec 1990 to **Joyce Elaine Peachy**); **Julia Beth** (born 4 Jan 1964, married 5 Jun 1993 to **David Kent Pellegrino**); and **Carl Roy** (born 31 Oct 1965, married 10 Aug 1991 to **Susan Kay Lohrentz**).

Children:

29 **James Harry Gascho**; b. 9 Apr 1950 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE; d. 10 Apr 1950 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE; bu. Wood River Mennonite Cemetery, Hall Co, NE.

30 **Timothy Neil Gascho**; b. 10 Feb 1951 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE. Tim is a systems analyst at the University of Alabama University Hospitals. 1932 5th St S, Birmingham AL, 35205; 205-324-6985.

31 **Luke Allen Gascho**; b. 4 Oct 1952 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE.

32 **Mary Beth Gascho**; b. 24 Feb 1954 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE.

THIRD GENERATION

(9) **Robert Roy Roth** was married 16 Sep 1945 in Milford, Seward Co, NE to **Grace La Verne Troyer**, daughter of John R. and Elsie Mae (Eicher) Troyer, who was born 24 Oct 1925 near Milford, Seward Co, NE. Robert is a farmer; Grace is a cook. Rt 1 Box 129, Milford, NE 68405; 402-761-2681.

Children:

33 **Diane Loree Roth**; b. 22 Jul 1946 near Wood River, Hall Co, NE.

34 **Charlotte Ann Roth**; b. 28 Mar 1948 in Friend, Saline Co, NE.

35 **Terry Robert Roth**; b. 23 Oct 1949 in Lincoln, Lancaster Co, NE.

36 **Lonnie Roth**; b. 28 Apr 1951 in Lincoln, Lancaster Co, NE.

37 **Robert Roy Jr. Roth**; b. 13 Mar 1956 in Friend, Saline Co, NE.

(10) **Delmar Dean Roth** was married 13 Jun 1948 near Wood River, Hall Co, NE to **Evelyn Ruth Schweitzer**, daughter of Homer and Nettie (Jantzi) Schweitzer, who was born 3 Apr 1929 near Wood River, Hall Co, NE. Delmar is a retired farmer. Evelyn is a homemaker. 12102 W Capital Ave, Wood River, NE 68883; 308-485-4476.

Children:

38 **David Delmar Roth**; b. 10 Nov 1949 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE.

39 **Marvin Lynn Roth**; b. 9 Jan 1951 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE.

40 **Debbra Evelyn Roth**; b. 22 May 1953 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE.

41 **Cynthia Mary Roth**; b. 1 Nov 1956 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE.

42 **Douglas Lamar Roth**; b. 27 Dec 1967 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE.

(11) **Josephine Roth** was married 30 Dec 1951 in Milford, Seward Co, NE to **Richard Lee Pankoke**, son of Ed and Esther (Yoder) Pankoke, who was born 25 Dec 1930 near Beaver Crossing, Seward Co, NE. Josephine cares for older persons. 246 Bradford, Beaver Crossing, NE 68434; 402-532-5715. Josephine and Dick are divorced.

Children:

43 **Judy Marlene Pankoke**; b. 18 Jun 1952 in Seward, Seward Co, NE; d. 17 Oct 1955 near Friend, Saline Co, NE; bu. West Fairview Mennonite Cemetery, Milford, Seward Co, NE.

44 **Timothy Lee Pankoke**; b. 27 Jul 1954 in Friend, Saline Co, NE; d. 4 Feb 1981 in Beaver Crossing, Seward Co, NE. bu. West Fairview Mennonite Cemetery, Milford, Seward Co, NE.

45 **Susanne Kay Pankoke**; b. 3 Sep 1956 in Friend, Saline Co, NE.

46 **Rodney Earl Pankoke**; b. 23 Nov 1959 in Friend, Saline Co, NE.

(12) **Chester Lee Roth** was married in Big Springs, Deuel CO, NE to **Theo Marie Peters** who was born 2 Jan 1935. Theo Marie was later married to Eugene Stutzman.

(13) **Edward John Roth** was married 10 Jun 1952, to **Elaine Gwendolyn Richardson**, daughter of Lee A. and Gwendolyn E. (Peyton) Richardson, who was born 17 Oct 1931 in Segwick, Segwick Co, CO. 11189 Alcott St #A, Westminister CO 80234.

Children:

47 **Deanne Kay Roth**; b. 24 Oct 1952 in Long Beach, Orange Co, CA.

48 **Randy Lee Roth**; b. 17 Jul 1954 in Julesburg, Segwick Co, CO.

49 **Karen Zoe Roth**; b. 5 Apr 1957 in Julesburg, Segwick Co, CO.

(15) **Laverne Beckler** was married 27 Oct 1942 to **George H. Engle**, son of George Albert and Augusta Marie (Ottemoeller) Engle, who was born 19 Jan 1911 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE. George worked as a Ford service manager; he is now retired. Laverne worked as a Route supervisor; she is now retired. 1442 Middlefield, Stockton, CA 95204-4925; 209-463-7485.

Children:

50 **Karen Kay Engle**; b. 24 Aug 1943 in Stockton, San Joaquin Co, CA.
51 **Robert Earl Engle**; b. 23 Nov 1947 in Stockton, San Joaquin Co, CA.

(16) **Orval Beckler** was married 25 Jun 1950 to **Bonnie Joyce Batrell**, daughter of Charles and Thelma Batrell, who was born 26 Dec 1934 in Biggs, Butte Co, CA.. Orval and Jeanette are divorced.

Children:

52 **Marvin Earl Beckler**; b. 29 Aug 1951 in Stockton, San Joaquin Co, CA.
53 **Richard Orval Beckler**; b. 12 Dec 1953 in Stockton, San Joaquin Co, CA.

Orval was later married (29 Jul 1962) to **Jeanette Sullivan**, daughter of Victor and Doris (Self) Sullivan, who was born 21 Apr 1935 in Stockton, San Joaquin Co, CA. Jeanette owns and operates a modeling, talent, and self development business. Orval owns and operates a used car dealership. 989 Bain SE, Albany OR, 97321; 503-928-7401.

Children:

54 **David Beckler**; b. 21 Aug 1963 in Stockton, San Joaquin Co, CA. David is a computer engineer. 989 Bain SE Albany, OR 97321; 503-928-7401.
55 **Gregory Ryan Beckler**; b. 17 May 1965 in Stockton, San Joaquin Co, CA. Gregory is a student in sports medicine and chiropractory.

(17) **Maynerd Beckler** was married 1 Jul 1948 in Stockton, San Joaquin Co, CA to **Cicil Lorene Albritton**, daughter of Edgar and Goldie (Daniels) Albritton who was born 24 Apr 1928 in OK. Maynerd died 28 Feb 1980 in Turlock. Stanislaus Co, CA and is buried in Farmington, San Joaquin Co, CA.

Children:

56 **Katheleen Kay Beckler**; b. 16 Apr 1951 in Little Rock, Pulaski Co, AR.
57 **Sharon Beckler**; b. 18 Feb 1953 in Little Rock, Pulaski Co, AR.
58 **Debra Ann Beckler**; b. 6 Jan 1961 in Morrilton, Conway Co, AR.

Cicil later was married to Van Huggins. Cecil and Van Huggins are separated. 2621 Prescott Rd #126, Modesto, CA 95350; 209-527-4438.

(18) **Raymond Beckler** was married 26 Oct 1947 near Wood River, Hall Co, NE to **Neomi Schweitzer**, daughter of John and Matilda (Stutzman) Schweitzer, who was born 6 Dec 1924 near Wood River, Hall Co, NE. Raymond is a farmer and stockman; Neomi cares for the elderly in their homes. Rt 1 Box 115A, Cairo, NE 68824; 308-485-4415.

Children:

59 **Candace Faye Beckler**; b. 27 Mar 1949 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE.

60 **Edward Raymond Beckler**; b. 13 Dec 1950 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE.

61 **Randall Dale Beckler**; b. 30 Dec 1951 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE.

62 **Ellen Joy Beckler**; b. 31 Jan 1955 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE.

(19) **Sidney Beckler** was married 29 Jun 1957 in Reno, Washoe Co, NV to **Darleen Joyce Christman**, daughter of Jacob and Lydia (Junker) Christman, who was born 18 Jul 1937 near Hillsview, SD. Sidney is a retired cabinet-maker. 10926 Micke Grove Road, Lodi, CA 95240; 209-369-1749.

Children:

63 **Michael Sidney Beckler**; b. 16 Aug 1959 in Stockton, San Joaquin Co, CA. Michael is an architecural engineer. 5621 El Jardin, Long Beach, CA 90815; 310-494-4929.

64 **Bryan Robert Beckler**; b. 21 Jun 1962 in Stockton, San Joaquin Co, CA.

65 **Brenda Darleen Beckler**; b. 21 Jun 1962 in Stockton, San Joaquin Co, CA.

66 **Marvin Lavern Beckler**; b. 4 Aug 1968 in Stockton, San Joaquin Co, CA.

(20) **Homer Beckler** was married 30 Nov 1957 in Germany to **Uta Kraft**, daughter of Anton and Maria (Heister) Kraft, who was born 1 Dec 1939 in Aschaffenburg, Germany. Homer is a manager. Uta is a manager. 1602 Teakwood Drive, Modesto, CA 95350; 209-523-5075.

Children:

67 **Donna Marie Beckler**; b. 1 Apr 1962 in Stockton, San Joaquin Co, CA.

68 **Robert Homer Beckler**; b. 29 Oct 1964 in Modesto, Stanislaus Co, CA.

(21) **Shirley Marie Jantzi** was married 29 Jan 1942 in Tangent, Linn Co, OR to **Merrill F. Boshart**, son of Amos and Sarah Alice (Stutzman) Boshart, who was born 5 Apr 1919 near Wood River, Hall Co, NE. Merrill is an ordained Mennonite deacon and retired farmer; Shirley is a homemaker. 34471 Plainview Dr, Shedd, OR 97377; 503-451-5203.

Children:

69 **Eugene Lee Boshart**; b. 21 Dec 1946 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE.

70 **Ann Marie Boshart**; b. 12 Aug 1948 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE.

71 **Richard D. Boshart**; b. 8 Nov 1950 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR.

72 **Stanley J. Boshart**; b. 22 Sep 1958 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR.

73 **Joan Marie Boshart**; b. 9 Mar 1960 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR.

74 **Allan J. Boshart**; b. 28 Jul 1962 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR.

(22) **Roland Dale Jantzi** was married 1 Dec 1946 in Milford, Seward Co, NE to **Mary Ann Beckler**, daughter of William and Anna (Roth) Beckler, who was born 26 Mar 1924 near Milford, Seward Co, NE. Roland is a retired hospital administer and county commissioner. Mary Ann is a retired school bus driver. 34710 Webber Drive, Lebanon, OR 97355; 503-451-3125.

Children:

75 **Candyce Ann Jantzi**; b. 3 Mar 1948 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR.

76 **Mary Jo Jantzi**; b. 1 Oct 1950 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR.

77 **Anna Mae Jantzi**; b. 20 Mar 1960 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR. Anna Mae is a cosmoligist. 34710 Webber Drive, Lebanon, OR 97355; 503-451-3125.

(23) **Robert Wayne Jantzi** was married 21 Aug 1949 in Albany, Linn Co, OR to **Doris Oswald**, daughter of William and Mattie (Erb) Oswald, who was born 15 Nov 1927 near Wood River, Hall Co, NE. Doris died 26 Dec 1987 in Shedd, Linn Co, OR and is buried at the Fairview Mennonite Cemetery, Albany, Linn Co, OR.

Children:

78 **Curtis Wayne Jantzi**; b. 9 Jul 1950 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR.
79 **Randall Lynn Jantzi**; b. 10 Jun 1952 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR.
80 **Roberta Diane Jantzi**; b. 10 Dec 1957 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR.
81 **Scott Roy Jantzi**; b. 18 Jan 1963 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR.
82 **Tami Renee Jantzi**; b. 17 Aug 1966 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR. 2232 West Giddinger, Chicago, IL 60625; 312-334-7064.

Robert was later married (10 Feb 1990) in Vancouver, Clark Co, WA to **Anne Scheffel**, daughter of Chris and Emma (Hartzler) Scheffel, who was born 28 Mar 1930.[5] 820 Sugarberry Lane, Lebanon, OR 97355; 503-258-2397.

(25) **Ruth Pauline Jantzi** was married 24 Nov 1949 in Hubbard, Marion Co, OR to **Lloyd Lewis Hooley**, son of Alvin and Elsie (Zook) Hooley, who was born 23 Nov 1929 in Hubbard, Marion Co, OR. Lloyd Lewis died 11 Jul 1978 near Salem, Marian Co, OR and is buried at the Zion Mennonite Cemetery, Hubbard, Marion Co, OR.

Children:

83 **Beverly Jean Hooley**; b. 21 Jun 1951 in Silverton, Marion Co, OR.
84 **Lyle Lloyd Hooley**; b. 12 Aug 1952 in Silverton, Marion Co, OR.
85 **Evelyn Faye Hooley**; b. 24 Jul 1956 in Silverton, Marion Co, OR.

Ruth was later married (24 Aug 1985) in Albany, Linn Co, OR to **Claude Schlabach**, son of Daniel and Annie (Schultz) Schlabach, who was born

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[5] Anne was previously married to **Lester Smucker**. The children of Lester and Anne are **June Eileen** (born 28 Jul 1952, married to **Anthony Dean Handrich**) and **Ray Eldon** (born 28 Jun 1954, married to **Valerie Schultz**).

15 Oct 1917 in Robsart, Sask, CAN. Claude was also previously married (Jul 1944) to Myrtle Adell Weber, born 4 Jun 1917 in Guersney, Sask, CAN and died 21 Nov 1983 in Langam, Sask, CAN.[6] PO Box 609 Strasbourg, Sask, CAN 50G 4U0; 306-725-4190.

(26) **John Joseph Jantzi** was married 21 Aug 1953 in Albany, Linn Co, OR to **Erma May Kauffman**, daughter of Jesse Clayton and Eva (Roth) Kauffman, who was born 7 Jan 1933 in Albany, Linn Co, OR. John is the owner of John Jantzi Tires Inc; Erma is a secretary. 1896 Logsden Rd, Siletz OR 97380; 503-444-2249.

Children:

86 **John Joseph Jantzi Jr.**; b. 20 Jun 1954 in Roseburg, Douglas Co, OR. John is a music director. 460 E 18th, Eugene, OR 97401; 503-345-8471.

87 **Douglas Clayton Jantzi**; b. 22 Jul 1955 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR.

88 **Rodger Barry Jantzi**; b. 8 Apr 1957 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR.

89 **Vicki May Jantzi**; b. 15 Oct 1958 in Newport, Lincoln Co, OR.

90 **Craig Allen Jantzi**; b. 6 Aug 1960 in Newport, Lincoln Co, OR.

91 **Jacqueline Kay Jantzi**; b. 20 Jun 1962 in Toledo, Lincoln Co, OR.

(27) **Leo Roy Jantzi** was married 9 Sep 1955 in Hubbard, Marion Co, OR to **Bonnie Belle Hathaway**, daughter of Phillip and Nellie (Barnes) Hathaway, who was born 5 Jan 1936 in Salem, Marion Co, OR. Leo is a plant manager. Bonnie is a secretary. 13504 80A St, Edmonton, Alta, CAN T5D 1M6; 403-475-7694.

Children:

92 **Julie Rae Jantzi**; b. 21 Jan 1957 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR.

93 **Joe E. Jantzi**; b. 31 Dec 1958 in Calling Lake, Alta CAN

94 **Jill Kae Jantzi**; b. 10 Mar 1960 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR.

95 **Kathy May Jantzi**; b. 9 Aug 1962 in Waterloo, Ont, CAN.

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[6] Children of Claude and Myrtle are **Larry Forrest**, **Merlin Dean**, **Gloria Louise**, and **Evonne Lynette**.

96 **Kerry Ray Jantzi**; b. 9 Aug 1962 in Waterloo, Ont, CAN. Kerry is a welder's apprentice. 716 1A Ave S E, Slave Lake, Alta, CAN T0G 2A3.

97 **Beth Ann Jantzi**; b. 6 Sep 1966 in Athabasca, Alta, CAN.

98 **Todd Leo Jantzi**; b. 30 Dec 1967 in Athabasca, Alta, CAN. Todd is a carpenter's apprentice. 716 1A Ave S. E., Slave Lake Alta, CAN T0G 2A3.

(28) **Joseph Alvin Gascho** was married 27 Jul 1968 in Harrisonburg, Rockingham Co, VA to **Barbara Sue Brunk**, daughter of George Rowland Jr. and Margaret Grace (Suter) Brunk, who was born 7 Apr 1947 in Newport News, Warwick Co, VA. Joseph is a cardiologist at Hershey Medical Center/Penn State University College of Medicine; Barbara is a parish nurse. 2013 Chapel Forge Drive, Lancaster PA 17601-1654; 717-898-7979.

Children:

99 **Joseph Alvin Gascho II**; b. 3 Feb 1973 in Charlottesville, Albemarle Co, VA. Joseph is a student at Eastern Mennonite University.

100 **Susan Loring Gascho**; b. 23 Oct 1975 in Charlottesville, Albemarle Co, VA. Susan is a student at Eastern Mennonite University. EMU, Harrisonburg VA 22801.

(31) **Luke Allen Gascho** was married 23 Dec 1972 in Elkhart, Elkhart Co, IN to **Rebecca Margaret Lehman**, daughter of John Edwin and Margaret Frances (Swope) Lehman, who was born 9 Sep 1951 in Salem, Columbiana Co, OH. Luke is the principal at Johnstown Mennonite School; Rebecca is a librarian at Johnstown Mennonite School. Rt 2 Box 203, Holsopple PA 15935. 814-288-5660.

Children:

101 **Hannah Joy Gascho**; b. 15 Oct 1975 in Johnstown, Somerset Co, PA. Hannah is a student at Eastern Mennonite University. EMU, Harrisonburg VA 22801.

102 **Andrew Michael Gascho**; b. 28 May 1978 in St Georges, Grenada, West Indes.

103 **Adam Luke Gascho**; b. 21 Apr 1981 in Johnstown, Somerset Co, PA.

(32) **Mary Beth Gascho** was married 10 Aug 1974 in Cass Lake, Cass Co, MN to **Richard Lee Coffey Jr**, son of Herbert L. Jr. and M. Frances (Baugher) Coffey who was born 23 Sep 1952 in Charleston, Charleston Co, SC. Richard is a cabinet maker. Mary Beth is a homemaker. Rt 3 Box 306B, Elkton VA 22827; 703-298-8302.

Children:

104 **Christina Marie Coffey**; b. 12 Sep 1979 in Harrisonburg, Rockingham Co, VA.

105 **Richard Lee Coffey II**; b. 28 Jun 1984 in Kalispell, Flathead Co, MT.

106 **Elizabeth Frances Coffey**; b. 27 Sep 1987 in Kalispell, Flathead Co, MT.

107 **Jared James Coffey**; b. 5 Feb 1989 in Harrisonburg, Rockingham Co,VA.

FOURTH GENERATION

(33) **Diane Loree Roth** was married 14 Jan 1967 near Milford, Seward Co, NE, to **Eugene Stutzman**, son of Floyd and Bernice Vivian (Burkey) Stutzman, who was born 8 Jul 1948. Diane is a cashier. Eugene owns and operates a roofing company. 411 S E St. Milford, NE 68405; 402-761-2455.

Children:

108 **Charnel DeAnn Stutzman**; b. 30 Oct 1965 in Lincoln, Lancaster Co, NE.

109 **Todd Alan Stutzman**; b. 1 Jun 1967 in Friend, Saline Co, NE.

110 **Roxanne Sue Stutzman**; b. 5 Oct 1969 in Friend, Saline Co, NE.

111 **Tyran Lee Stutzman**; b. 30 Dec 1976 in Seward, Seward Co, NE

(34) **Charlotte Ann Roth** was married 4 Jun 1966 near Milford, Seward Co, NE to **Russel Alan Roth**, son of Delmar and Violet (Stutzman) Roth, who was born 2 Nov 1944 in Milford, Seward Co, NE. Charlotte is a

dental assistant; Russel is a mechanic. Rt 1 Milford, NE; 68405; 402-761-2835.

Children:

112 **Jason Lee Roth**; b. 3 Mar 1967 in Seward, Seward Co, NE
113 **Jered Alan Roth**; b. 16 Jul 1969 in Seward, Seward Co, NE
114 **Brent Deon Roth**; b. 20 Mar 1973 in Seward, Seward Co, NE

(35) **Terry Robert Roth** was married 21 Oct 1972 in Milford, Seward Co, NE to **Jo Ann Stauffer**, daughter of Leonard and Anna Mae (Stutzman) Stauffer, who was born 14 May 1950 in Milford, Seward Co, NE. Terry is a meat market manager. Jo Ann is a secretary. 745 5th St, Milford, NE 68405; 402-761-3450.

Children:

115 **Aaron Roth**; b. 29 Sep 1973 in Seward, Seward Co, NE.
116 **Brian Roth**; b. 17 Aug 1976 in Seward, Seward Co, NE.

(36) **Lonnie Roth** was married 20 Apr 1974 in Milford, Seward Co, NE to **Charlotte Jean Burkey**, daughter of Darold Dennis and Imogene (Roth) Burkey, who was born 5 Nov 1951. Lonnie is a truck dispatcher. Charlotte is a house cleaner and baker. 320 N F St, Milford, NE 68405; 402-761-2574.

Children:

117 **Corey Roy Roth**; b. 2 Sep 1975 in Friend, Saline Co, NE
118 **Adrian Dennis Roth**; b. 26 Nov 1977 in Friend, Saline Co, NE
119 **Destidy Jean Roth**; b. 18 Apr 1979 in Seward, Seward Co, NE

(37) **Robert Roy Roth Jr.** was married 29 Jul 1979 to **Mary Reinder** who was born 25 Dec 1961. Robert is a painter. Robert and Mary are divorced. Aletha, KS.

Children:

120 **Abram Jon Roth**; b. 3 Feb 1980 in Seward, Seward Co, NE.
121 **Amber Mae Roth**; b. 23 Dec 1981 in Lincoln, Lancaster Co, NE.

(38) **David Delmar Roth** was married 6 Dec 1980 near Wood River, Hall Co, NE to **Debra Rae Burkey**, daughter of Darold Dennis and Imogene (Roth) Burkey, who was born 18 Aug 1953 in Seward, Seward Co, NE. David is a crop and dairy farmer. Debra is a beautician and homemaker. 12368 W. Airport Road, Cairo, NE 68824; 308-485-4822.

Children:

122 **Jessica Rae Roth**; b. 8 Jun 1983 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE.
123 **Andrew David Roth**; b. 14 Jan 1987 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE.

(39) **Marvin Lynn Roth** was married 30 May 1981 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE to **Heide Marie Dibbern**, daughter of William and Joy (Rathman) Dibbern, who was born 23 Feb 1959 in Hutchinson, McLeod Co, MN. Marvin is crop and dairy farmer and operates a greenhouse. Heide is a nurse and homemaker. 11960 W. Capital Avenue, Wood River, NE 68883; 308-485-4614.

Children:

124 **Joshua Ryan Roth**; b. 17 Jan 1985 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE.
125 **Megan Marie Roth**; b. 22 Apr 1987 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE.
126 **Caleb Lynn Roth**; b. 19 Oct 1994 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE.

(40) **Debbra Evelyn Roth** was married 12 Oct 1974 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE to **Wesley K. Reil**, son of Wesley and Elva (Riley) Reil, who was born 27 May 1956 in Crete, Saline Co, NE. Wesley works at a lumber yard and Ward Craft Homes. Debbra is a secretary and homemaker. Box 7, Pleasant Dale, NE 68423; 402-795-5355.

Children:

127 **Nathan Kent Reil**; b. 5 Jan 1976 in Seward, Seward Co, NE.
128 **Lamar Lee Reil**; b. 6 Jun 1977 in Seward, Seward Co, NE.
129 **Nolan Blaine Reil**; b. 19 Aug 1981 in Seward, Seward Co, NE.

(41) **Cynthia Mary Roth** was married 6 May 1978 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE to **Rick Vern Yoder**, son of Wilfred and Ruth (Miller) Yoder, who was born 20 Aug 1957 in Friend, Saline Co, NE. Rick is a farmer. Cynthia is a medical assistant and homemaker. 17881 W. Coop Road, Cairo, NE 68824; 308-485-4493.

Children:

130 **Travis Lee Yoder**; b. 22 May 1979 in Seward, Seward Co, NE.
131 **Ashley Ann Yoder**; b. 30 Oct 1981 in Seward, Seward Co, NE.
132 **Chesley Rae Yoder**; b. 18 Nov 1983 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE.

(42) **Douglas Lamar Roth** was married 30 Dec 1989 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE to **Tracey Lynn McCoun**, daughter of Merle and Gloria McCoun, who was born 23 Oct 1969 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE. Douglas is a farmer; he also works with heating and air conditioning. 3421 N. 130th Road, Cairo, NE 68883; 308-485-4476.

Children:

133. **Zachery Douglas Roth**; b. 16 Mar 1993 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE.

(45) **Susanne Kay Pankoke** was married 4 Sep 1977 in Las Vagas, Clark Co, NV to **Kenneth Kaiser**, son of Jerry and Katie Kaiser, who was born 3 Nov 1950. Kenneth works for an electrician. 2850 Port Orford Loop, Port Orford, OR 97465; 503-332-4145.

Children:

134 **Carrie Lyn Kaiser**; b. 15 Apr 1978 in Deming, Luna Co, NM. (adopted)
135 **Kenneth Kaiser Jr.**; b. 9 May 1983 in Port Orford, Curry Co, OR. (adopted)

(47) **Deanne Kay Roth** was married 12 Apr 1975 in Denver, Denver Co, CO to **Dennis Murphy**, son of Victor and Julia Murphy, who was born 29 Oct 1948 in Denver, Denver Co, CO. Dennis owns a petroleum business. 9030 Independence Circle, Westminister, CO ; 80021 303-420-1034

Children:

136 **Holly Rene Murphy**; b. 25 Apr 1976 in Denver, Denver Co, CO.
137 **Rick Edward Murphy**; b. 14 Nov 1978 in Denver, Denver Co, CO.
138 **Robb Charles Murphy**; b. 14 Nov 1978 in Denver, Denver Co, CO

(48) **Randy Lee Roth** was married 14 Dec 1974 in Byers, Arapahoe Co, CO to **Chris Alice Pisel**, daughter of Wes and Shirley Pisel, who was born 1 Jan 1954 in Deer Trail, Adams Co, CO. Randy is a farmer. 2479 S. Country Road 185, Byers, CO 80103-9405; 303-822-5857.

Children:

139 **Tara Christine Roth**; b. 4 Feb 1977 in Fort Collins, Larimer Co, CO.

140 **Lanny Kay Roth**; b. 2 Jun 1979 in Fort Collins, Larimer Co, CO.

141 **Carey Lee Roth**; b. 25 Jul 1984 in Byers, Arapahoe Co, CO.

(49) **Karen Zoe Roth** was married 16 Apr 1976 in Denver, Denver Co, CO to **Daniel Wyman**, son of Tom and Marie Wyman, who was born 29 Feb 1956 in Denver, Denver Co, CO. Daniel is a machinery salesman and owns a video store. 3094 Prince Dutch Court, Grand Junction, CO; 303-434-6165.

Children:

142 **Melissa Ray Wyman**; b. 24 Dec 1979 in Grand Junction, Cameo Co, CO.

143 **Jessica Lahn Wyman**; b. 4 Jun 1982 in Grand Junction, Cameo Co, CO.

144 **Kallen Aaron Wyman**; b. 24 Apr 1984 in Grand Junction, Cameo Co, CO.

(50) **Karen Kay Engle** was married 21 Nov 1964 to **Louis Douglas Borst**, son of Louis Byron and Martha Maxine (Trezise) Borst, who was born 27 Dec 1942 in Chehalis, Lewis Co, WA. Karen works as a safe deposit clerk at a bank; Louis is an electronics technician. 3031 Deovan, Stockton, CA 95204; 209-466-8823.

(51) **Robert Earl Engle** was married 1 Dec 1968 to **Lynell Yvonne Turnbeaugh**, daughter of Lysle Rollan and Gladys Rose Turnbeaugh, who was born 22 Jul 1948 in Stockton, San Joaquin Co, CA. Robert is a salesman for Farmer Brothers Coffee; Lynell is an office manager. 2316 Janet Place, Stockton CA 95209; 209-474-2766.

Children:

145 **Kimberly Diane Engle**; b. 10 Nov 1971 in Stockton, San Joaquin Co, CA.

146 **Michael George Engle**; b. 15 Jul 1974 in Stockton, San Joaquin Co, CA.

(52) **Marvin Earl Beckler** was married Jun 1970 to **Becky Harper**, daughter of Joe and Elenor Harper, who was born 25 May 1950 in Lindsay, Tulare Co, CA. Marvin is an electrician. 1915 S West Court, Visalia CA 93277; 209-733-7431. Marvin and Becky are divorced.

Children:

147 **Christy Beckler**; b. 4 Aug 1976 in Lindsay, Tulare Co, CA.

Marvin also was married (5 May 1987) to **Joyce Ayers**, daughter of Odell and Cora Ayers, who was born 9 Aug 1952 in Hot Springs, Garland Co, AR.

(53) **Richard Orval Beckler** was married 31 Dec 1986 to **Glenda Cook**, daughter of Buford and Helen Cook, who was born 17 Apr 1950 in Rentfield, CA. Richard operates an electronic business; Glenda is a cook. 8190 Canyon Oak Dr, Citrus Hts, CA 95610; 916-722-1901.

Children:

148 **Scott Douglas Beckler**; b. 15 Nov 1988 in Sacramento, Sacramento Co, CA.

(56) **Katheleen Kay Beckler** was married 29 Jan 1971 in Modesto, Stanislaus Co, CA to Ronald **Michael Bonds**, son of M and _____ (Bass) Bonds. Michael is a minister. CA; 707-444-2710.

Children:

149 **Aaron Michael Bonds**; b. 23 Jan 1973 in Modesto, Stanislaus Co, CA.

150 **Nathan Matthew Bonds**; b. 6 Feb 1976 in Modesto, Stanislaus Co, CA.

(57) **Sharon Beckler** was married 2 Jul 1971 in Oakdale, Stanislaus Co, CA to **Gary Hanna**, son of Donald and Irene (Bowden) Hanna, who was born on 28 Mar 1949 in CA. Sharon works for the US Post Office; Gary is a salesperson. 12597 North Angiér Road, Lodi, CA 95240; 209-334-4877.

Children:

151 **Shelly Diane Hanna**; b. 17 Aug 1974 in Lodi, San Joaquin Co, CA.

152 **Ranee DeAnn Hanna**; b. 10 Oct 1976 in Lodi, San Joaquin Co, CA.

153 **Rebecca Mae Hanna**; b. 10 Oct 1976 in Lodi, San Joaquin Co, CA; d. 7 Nov 1976 in Lodi, San Joaquin Co, CA; bu. Farmington, San Joaquin Co, CA.

(58) **Debra Ann Beckler** was married 25 Oct 1987 in Oroville, Butte Co, CA to **Al Clement**. 213 Gregory Lane, Modesto, CA; 209-549-2550?.

Children:

154 **Nicole Christine Clement**; b. 24 Oct 1991,

(59) **Candace Faye Beckler** was married 6 Sep 1968 near Wood River, Hall Co, NE to **Leon Schweitzer**, son of Clyde and Thelma (Elikson) Schweitzer, who was born 18 Feb 1943 in Broken Bow, Custer Co, NE. Leon is a farmer. Rt 3 Box 141, Broken Bow, NE 68822; 308-527-3476.

Children:

155 **Tamara Sue Schweitzer**; b. 6 Mar 1971 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE.

156 **Teresa Dawn Schweitzer**; b. 15 Feb 1972 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE.

157 **Tina Marie Schweitzer**; b. 24 Aug 1977 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE.

(60) **Edward Raymond Beckler** was married 10 Nov 1973 to **Dorthea Maxine Miller**, daughter of Lamar and Evelyn (Stoltzfus) Miller, who was born 12 Sep 1952 in Aurora, Portage Co, OH. Edward is a farmer

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and employed at Cargill Seed; Dorthea is a nurse at the Veteran's Hospital. Airport Road, Cairo, NE 68824; 308-485-4380.

(61) **Randall Dale Beckler** was married 24 May 1975, **Glenda Kay Gascho**, daughter of Glen Arthur and Delores (Schweitzer) Gascho, who was born 27 Dec 1954 in Grand Island, Hall Co, NE. Randall does road maintenance; Glenda is a technician at the Veterans Hospital. Box 131, Cairo, NE 68824; 308-485-4188.

(62) **Ellen Joy Beckler** was married 28 Jul 1990 in Wood River, Hall Co, NE, to **Daniel Sebulsky** who was born in 1948. Rt 1 Box 115A, Cairo, NE 68824.

(64) **Bryan Robert Beckler** was married 18 Dec 1983 in Lodi, San Joaquin Co, CA to **Tamara Walth**, daughter of Edward and Ruth (Heapel) Walth. Bryan and Tamara are divorced.

Children:

158 **Danelle Nicolle Beckler**; b. 8 May 1985 in Lodi, San Joaquin Co, CA.

Bryan was later married (29 Sep 1990) in Lodi, San Joaquin Co, CA to **Janet Davis**, daughter of Richard and Elanor Lynne (Williams) Davis. Bryan is a foreclosure account executive. 6925 Annapolis Quay, Stockton, CA 95219; 209-476-8337.

Children:

159 **Chelsey Meline Beckler;** b. 4 Sep 1991 in Lodi, San Joaquin Co, CA.

(54) **Brenda Darleen Beckler** was married 11 Jun 1983 to **John Robert Beam**, son of Dalton Woodley and Leona Mae (Tenick) Beam, who was born 31 Aug 1960 in Edinburg, Hidalgo Co, TX. John died 23 Aug 1991 in CA. 9436 Cherry Hill Lane, San Ramon, CA 94583; 510-803-0432.

Children:

160 **Melissa Kay Beam**; b. 14 Sep 1985 in Lodi, San Joaquin Co, CA.
161 **Amanda Renee Beam**; b. 20 Jun 1987 in Lodi, San Joaquin Co, CA.

(67) **Donna Marie Beckler** was married 26 Jun 1982 in Modesto, Stanislaus Co, CA to **Gregg Allen Boyd**, son of Terry and Janiee (Parker) Boyd, who was born 5 Mar 1960. Gregg is a tile setter. 1517 Havasu, Modesto, CA 95355; 209-526-9158.

Children:

162 **Christopher Robert Boyd**; b. 15 Mar 1987 in Modesto, Stanislaus Co, CA.

163 **Brittany Nicole Boyd**; b. 28 Apr 1990 in Modesto, Stanislaus Co, CA.

(68) **Robert Homer Beckler** was married 2 Feb 1991 in Turloek, Stanislaus Co, CA to **Cynthia Rene Schmidt**, daughter of Helmut and Maryann (Triekey) Sehmidt, who was born 11 Oct 1968 in Turloek, Stanislaus Co, CA. Robert is a senior planner. Cynthia is a nurse. 1427 Mello Court, Turlock, CA 95380; 209-667-8666.

Children:

164 **Andre Austin Beckler**; b. 4 Jun 1994 in Modesto, Stanislaus Co, CA.

(69) **Eugene Lee Boshart** was married 16 Jun 1967 in Hubbard, Marion Co, OR to **Susan Joann Lais**, daughter of Frank and Wanona (Conrad) Lais, who was born 9 Jan 1947 in Silverton, Marion Co, OR. Eugene owns a go-eart shop; Susan is a registered nurse. 30199 Seven Mile Lane, Shedd, OR 97377; 503-491-3589.

Children:

165 **Julie Marie Boshart**; b. 31 Oct 1969 in Portland, Washington Co, OR.

166 **Brian Eugene Boshart**; b. 19 May 1972 in Portland, Washington Co, OR. 12503 S. W., Tigard, OR 97223; 503-579-7535.

167 **Jeffrey Lee Boshart**; b. 11 Aug 1975 in Portland, Washington Co, OR. 12503 S. W., Tigard, OR 97223; 503-579-7535.

(70) **Ann Marie Boshart** was married 26 Aug 1966 in Albany, Linn Co, OR to **Victor LeRoy Knox**, son of Vernon A and Elsie (Kropf) Knox, who was born 23 Oct 1946 in Harrisburg, Linn Co, OR. Vietor is a UPS

driver; Ann does book keeping. 30975 Diamond Hill Drive, Harrisburg, OR 97446; 503-995-6405.

Children:

168 **Terry Joseph Knox**; b. 17 Jan 1970 in Eugene, Lane Co, OR
169 **Eric Matthew Knox**; b. 7 Jul 1972 in Eugene, Lane Co, OR
170 **Anthony David Knox**; b. 17 May 1974 in Eugene, Lane Co, OR
171 **Gregory Mark Knox**; b. 15 Jul 1975 in Eugene, Lane Co, OR

(71) **Richard D. Boshart** was married 2 Dec 1977 in Albany, Linn Co, OR to **Glenna Kay Johnson**, daughter of Clifford Dean and Shirley (Simons) Johnson, who was born 1 May 1954 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR. Richard is a farmer; Glenna works in a doctor's office and is an aerobics instructor. 32780 Tangent Loop, Tangent, OR 97389; 503-928-7847.

Children:

172 **Travis J. Boshart**; b. 1 Jun 1976 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR.
173 **Todd J. Boshart**; b. 2 Nov 1978 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR.
174 **Sarah K'Lyn Boshart**; b. 12 Oct 1980 in Ontario, Malheur Co, OR

(72) **Stanley J. Boshart** was married 2 Dec 1977 in Albany, Linn Co, OR to **Lori McLain**, daughter of Dale and Janice (Sapp) McLain, who was born 31 Aug 1959. Stanley owns a trucking company; Lori is an office manager. 32818 Tangent Loop, Tangent, OR 97389; 503-491-3672.

Children:

175 **Shelly Renee Boshart**; b. 8 Jan 1980; in Albany, Linn Co, OR.
176 **Ola Marie Boshart**; b. 27 Aug 1981 in Albany, Linn Co, OR.
177 **Katherine Alair Boshart**; b. 16 Jan 1987 in Albany, Linn Co, OR.
178 **Camille Elaine Boshart**; b. 4 May 1988 in Albany, Linn Co, OR.
179 **Amos J. McLean Boshart**; b. 22 Sep 1992 in OR.

(32) **Joan Marie Boshart** was marriedto **Chuck Alan Fisher** in Siletz, Lincoln Co, OR. Joan and Chuck are divorced. 33984 Linn West Road, OR; 503-466-3102.

Children:

180 **Paul Fisher**; b. 22 Feb 1981 in Juneau, Southeasern Co, AK.
181 **Sky Blue Fisher**; b. 2 May 1982 in Corvallis, Benton Co, OR.

(74) **Allan J. Boshart** was married 18 Dec 1982 in Albany, Linn Co, OR to **Sandra Lynn Fox** , daughter of David and Sandra (Parrott) Fox, who was born 20 Mar 1964 in Long Beach, CA. Allan has a mobile repair business; Sandra is a homemaker. 30587 Wirth Drive, Shedd OR 97377; 503-491-3672.

Children:

182 **Cassandra Marie Boshart**; b.30 Jul 1985 in Toledo, Lincoln Co, OR.

183 **Jerad Allan Boshart**; b. 12 Nov 1987 in Albany, Linn Co, OR.

184 **Ashley Marie Boshart**; b. 23 Aug 1991 in Portland, Washington Co, OR. (adopted)

(75) **Candyce Ann Jantzi** was married 21 Aug 1971 in Shedd, Linn Co, OR to **George Pepin**, son of Joseph and Alma (Crabtree) Pepin, who was born 31 Oct 1948 in Portland, Multnomah Co, OR.George works at a wood mill; Candyce is a receptionist.1560 16th Place, Lebanon, OR 97355; 503-258-2292.

Children:

185 **Monica Ann Pepin**; b. 27 Feb 1974 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR.

186 **Taphie Lea Pepin**; b. 24 Aug 1976 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR.

(76) **Mary Jo Jantzi** was married 25 Apr 1970 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR to **Steven Lee Mankle**, son of Marvin and Wilma (Childera) Mankle, who was born 6 Aug 1949 in Albuquerque, Bernalillo Co, NM. Mary Jo and Steven Lee are divorced.

Children:

187 **Kecia Lea Mankle**; b. 24 Oct 1970 in Groton, New London Co, CN; d. 24 Oct 1970 in Groton, New London Co, CN.

Mary Jo Jantzi was later married (25 Sep 1993) in Salem, Marion Co, OR to **John Adams Fitch**, son of Wilford and Emma (Lapin) Fitch, who was born 25 Feb 1945 in Blain, OR. John is a physician's assistant; Mary Jo is a registered nurse. 34710 Webber Drive, Lebanon OR 97355; 503-451-5717.

(78) **Curtis Wayne Jantzi** was married 16 Oct 1971 in Davenport, Scott Co, IA to **Teresa A. Shafer**, daughter of David and Phyllis (Kiel) Shafer, who was born 15 Jun 1950 in Davenport, Scott Co, IA. Curtis works at a factory. 2521 Emerald Drive, Davenport, IA 52804; 319-386-5391.

Children:

188 **Ryan Steven Jantzi**; b. 13 Sep 1974 in Davenport, Scott Co, IA.
189 **Kelli Renee Jantzi**; b. 21 Feb 1977 in Davenport, Scott Co, IA.

(79) **Randall Lynn Jantzi** was married 30 Dec 1978 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR **Arlene Nissley**, daughter of Rudolph and Mary (Mullet) Nissley, who was born 28 Apr 1952 in Glendive, Dawson Co, MT. Randall is a farmer. 41275 Upper Berlin Drive, Lebanon, OR; 97355; 503-258-6749.

Children:

190 **Christopher Lynn Jantzi**; b. 19 Aug 1981 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR.
191 **Cortney Lynn Jantzi**; b. 5 Apr 1983 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR.
192 **Jonathan Lynn Jantzi**; b. 18 May 1986 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR.
193 **Jordan Randall Jantzi**; b. 27 Mar 1988 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR

(80) **Roberta Diane Jantzi** was married 16 Aug 1980 in Shedd, Linn Co, OR to **Lynn Jay Egli**, son of Lyle and Geraldine (Zehr) Egli, who was born on 29 Mar 1955 in Fort Dodge, Webster Co, IO. Roberta is a registered nurse; Lynn is a finance manager. 11912 SE 14th Circle, Vancouver, WA 98684; 206-254-3346.

Children:

194 **Joel Robert Egli**; b. 10 Jan 1987 in Portland, Multnomah Co, OR.
195 **Jessie Egli** (adopted); b. 16 Dec 1991.

(81) **Scott Roy Jantzi** was married 5 Aug 1989 in Albany, Linn Co, OR, to **Rhoda Caroline Mitchell**, daughter of Alva and Anna M. (Ropp) Mitchell, who was born on 7 Sep 1962 in Albany, Linn Co, OR. Scott teaches at Eastern Mennonite University. 540 Hartman Drive, Harrisonburg, VA 22801; 703-433-6037.

Children:

196 **Erica Caroline Jantzi**; b. 5 Jul 1992 in Aibonito, Puerto Rico.

(83) **Beverly Jean Hooley** was married 31 May 1970 in Hubbard, Marion Co, OR to **Carlo Dick Stutzman**, son of Aaron and Iva (Stutzman) Stutzman, who was born 8 Sep 1947 in Cairo, Hall Co, NE. 33575 Midway Drive, Albany, OR 97321.

Children:

197 **Angela Paige Stutzman**; b. 21 Dec 1970 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR.
198 **Nicole Yavette Stutzman**; b. 12 Dec 1972 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR.
199 **Heather Jean Stutzman**; b. 14 Sep 1974 in Lebanon, Linn Co, OR.

(84) **Lyle Lloyd Hooley** was married 13 Oct 1973 in Hartville, Stark Co, OH to **Gloria Yoder**, daughter of Harold and Sylvia (Whittmer) Yoder, who was born 2 Jun 1952 in OH. 603 Alihi Pl, Kailua, HI 96734; 808-263-4737.

Children:

200 **Jenny Mae Hooley**; b. 11 Jun 1975 in Silverton, Marion Co, OR.
201 **Daniel Jacob Hooley**; b. 11 Sep 1976 in Silverton, Marion Co, OR.
202 **Faith Olivia Hooley**; b. 25 Feb 1978 in Salem, Marion Co, OR.
203 **April Jean Hooley**; b. 17 Aug 1979 in Salem, Marion Co, OR..
204 **Peter Andrew Hooley**; b. 6 Jun 1981 in Salem, Marion Co, OR..

(85) **Evelyn Faye Hooley** was married 28 Aug 1973 in Hubbard, Marion Co, OR to **Delton Weber**, son of Gorden and Lillian (Kauffman) Weber, who was born 18 Aug 1955 in Saskatchewan, CAN. 3107 Geary SE, Albany, OR 97321; 503-926-2440. Evelyn and Dalton are divorced.

Children:

205 **Jeremy Sanford Weber**; b. 29 Dec 1972 in Lanigon, Sask, CAN.
206 **Heidi Janell Weber**; b. 21 Jul 1976 in Lanigon, Sask, CAN.
207 **Ashleigh Denae Weber**; b. 10 Aug 1982 in Humbolt, Sask, CAN.

(87) **Douglas Clayton Jantzi** was married 17 Dec 1983 in Sunriver, Bend Co, OR to **Anne Marie Becker**, daughter of Tom and Sylvia (Bisi) Becker, who was born 28 Aug 1957 in Newport, Lincoln Co, OR. Douglas is a high school teacher; Anne is an elementary school teacher.

3265 Elderberry, Salem, OR 97302; 503-362-3049

Children:

208 **Davis Clayton Jantzi**; b. 15 Dec 1988 in Medford, Jackson Co, OR.

209 **Hanna Marie Jantzi**; b. 7 Jan 1994 in Salem, Marion Co, OR.

(88) **Rodger Barry Jantzi** was married 21 Dec 1985 in Newport, Lincoln Co, OR to **Debra Michele Kempton**, daughter of Jerry and Ruth (Newsom) Kempton, who was born 11 Sep 1964 in Roseburg, Douglas Co, OR. Rodger is a carpenter; Debra is a homemaker. 11966 Logsden Road, Blodgett, OR 97326; 503-444-2364.

Children:

210 **Jolene Michele Jantzi**; b. 2 Nov 1985 in Newport, Lincoln Co, OR.

211 **Kristy Lynn Jantzi**; b. 23 Jun 1988 in Newport, Lincoln Co, OR.

212 **Catilin Diane Jantzi**; b. 28 May 1992 in Salem, Marion Co, OR. (adopted)

213 **Elizabeth Ruth Jantzi**; b. 15 Aug 1993 in Lincoln City, Lincoln Co, OR.

(89) **Vicki May Jantzi** was married 27 Dec 1982 in Craig, Southeastern Co, AK to **Kendall Logan**, son of Larkie and Verna (Frueh) Logan, who was born 19 Apr 1953 in Newport, Lincoln Co, OR. Vicki is a homemaker; Kendall is a logger. 877 NW A Street, Toledo OR 97391; 503-336-4812.

Children:

214 **Brandee Mae Logan**; b. 17 Feb 1983 in Ketchikan, Southeastern Co, AK.

215 **Veronica Johnell Logan**; b. 4 Jun 1985 in Ketchikan, Southeastern Co, AK.

(90) **Craig Allen Jantzi** was married in Parnell, Iowa Co, IO to **Sherlyn Miller**, daughter of Marvin and Ellen (Bachman) Miller, who was born 19 Jan 1961 in Iowa City, Johnson Co, IO. Craig works for US Sprint; Sherlyn is a registered nurse. 12204 Melrose, Overland Park, KS 66213; 913-897-0402.

Children:

216 **Jacob Aaron Jantzi**; b. 28 Sep 1987 in Kansas City, KS.
217 **James Craig Jantzi**; b. 16 Jan 1990 in Kansas City, KS.
218 **Jared Levi Jantzi**; b. 29 Mar 1993 in Kansas City, KS.

(91) **Jacqueline Kay Jantzi** was married 19 Aug 1989 in Siletz, Lincoln Co, OR to **Robert Kent Gascho**, son of Jay Lynn and Judith Rae (Lipsett) Gascho, who was born 2 Sep 1961 in Frankfort, Clinton Co, IN. Jacqueline is a registered nurse; Robert is a teacher. P. O. Box 1256, Walport, OR 97394; 503-563-5551.

Children:

219 **Ryan Kent Gascho**; b. 18 Mar 1994 in Newport, Lincoln Co, OR.

(92) **Julie Rae Jantzi** and **David Sinclair**, son of Henry and Edith Sinclair, who was born 7 Jul 1957 in Slave Lake, Alta, CAN. Julie is involved in early childhood education. 912-10th Ave SE, Slave Lake, Alta, CAN.

Children:

220 **Ryan David Jantzi;** b. 28 Feb 1982 in Edmonton, Alta, CAN.
221 **Malory Bonnedith Jantzi;** b. 6 Apr 1986 in Slave Lake, Alta, CAN.

(93) **Joe E. Jantzi** was married 24 Aug 1985 in Slave Lake, Alta, CAN to **Arlene Karen Sloat,** daughter of Dennis and Anne (Ermoff) Sloat, who was born on 24 Oct 1962 in High Prarie, Alta, CAN. Joe owns a general insurance agency; Arlene is a homemaker. Box 329 Slave Lake, Alta, CAN T0G 2A8; 403-849-5407.

Children:

222 **Craig George Jantzi**; b. 17 Jun 1990 in Slave Lake, Alta, CAN.
223 **Lainey Jonelle Jantzi**; b. 28 Jul 1994 in St. Albert, Alta, CAN.

(94) **Jill Kae Jantzi** was married 24 Nov 1978 in Slave Lake, Alta, CAN to **Allen Sinclair**, son of Joseph and Edna (Davis) Sinclair, who was born 17 Jul 1953 in High Prarie, Alta, CAN. Jill and Allen are divorced.

Children:

224 **Travis Lawrence Sinclair**; b. 5 Feb 1976 in Slave Lake, Alta, CAN.
225 **Teri Anne Sinclair**; b. 24 Aug 1980 in Slave Lake, Alta, CAN
226 **Tyler Allan Sinclair**; b. 29 Jun 1982 in Edmonton, Alta, CAN.

Jill Kae Jantzi was later married (20 Jul 1992) in Edmonton, Alta, CAN to **Dwain Kendall Hill**, son of Thomas and Beatrice (Lambert) Hill, who was born on 30 Apr 1960 in High Prarie, Alta, CAN. Jill is a registered nursing assistant; Dwain works in a pulp mill. 308-6th Avenue NW, Slave Lake, Alta, CAN T0G-2A1; 403-849-5193.[7]

(95) **Kathy May Jantzi** was married 21 Sep 1980 in Lincoln City, Lincoln Co, OR to **Michael Miller,** son of Sylvanus and Katie Miller, who was born on 6 (or 7) Jul 1969 in Portland, Multnomah Co, OR. Kathy and Mike are divorced.

Children:

227 **Luke Michael Miller**; b. 24 Feb 1981 in Corvalis, Benton Co, OR.
228 **Levi John Miller**; b. 28 Nov 1982 in Slave Lake, Alta, CAN.
229 **Lyle Sylvanus Miller**; b. 27 Mar 1985 in Slave Lake, Alta, CAN.

Kathy was later married (8 Oct 1994) in Calgary, Alta, CAN to **Don Spencer**, son of Ted and Helen (Hutton) Spencer. Kathy is a rehabilitation practioner; Don is a geological engineer. 627 Cantrell Place S.W. Calgary, Alta, CAN T2W 2E5; 403-238-0602.

(97) **Beth Ann Jantzi** was married 4 Aug 1990 in Edmonton, Alta, CAN to **Merlin Jay Wittmer**, son of Amos and Lily May (Graber) Wittmer, who was born 11 Oct 1965 in Washington, Daviess Co, IN. 3515 Gardina Street, Sarasota, FL 34237; 813-366-2796.

Children:

230 **Vanesia Wittmer**; b. 29 Oct 1992 in Sarasota, Sarasota Co, Fl.
231 **Nicole Jannelle Wittmer**; b. 23 Aug 1994 in Sarosota, Sarasota Co, Fl.

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[7] Other children of Dwain Hill are **Brent Cory** (born 21 Mar 1984) and **Brandi Beatrice** (born 3 Mar 1987).

FIFTH GENERATION

(108) **Charnel DeAnn Stutzman** was married 22 Sep 1984 in Lincoln, Lancaster Co, NE to **Roger Howard Graber**, son of Franklin Howard and Treva Mae (Hochstetler) Graber, who was born 7 Oct 1963 in Rolette, Rolette Co, ND. Roger is a roofer; Charnel is a hommaker. 607 5th, Milford, NE 68405; 402-761-3432.

Children:

232 **Daniele Diane Graber**; b. 24 Sep 1988 in Lincoln, Lancaster Co, NE.

233 **Dylan Howard Graber**; b. 21 Feb 1993 in Lincoln, Lancaster Co, NE.

(109) **Todd Alan Stutzman** was married 6 Jul 1986 in Milford, Seward Co, NE to **Kimberly Miller**, daughter of Leo and Delores (Phillip) Miller, who was born 7 Oct 1967 in Lincoln, Lancaster Co, NE. Todd is a roofer; Todd and Kimberly are divorced. Lincoln, NE; 402-435-8976.

Children:

234 **Lindsay Heather Stutzman**; b. 22 Jan 1987 in Lincoln, Lancaster Co, NE.

235 **Todd Justin Stutzman**; b. 27 Sep 1989 in Lincoln, Lancaster Co, NE.

(110) **Roxanne Sue Stutzman** was married 19 May 1990 in Milford, Seward Co, NE, to **James Blowers,** son of Duane and Janice Blowers who was born Apr 1960 in Fremont, Dodge Co, NE. James is an accountant; Roxanne is a dental assistant and homemaker. Milford, NE 68405; 402-761-3686.

Children:

236 **Darrin James Blowers**; b. 12 Oct 1990 in Lincoln, Lancaster Co, NE.

237 **Zachery Ty Blowers**; b. 6 Apr 1993 in Wayne, Wayne Co, NE.

(112) **Jason Lee Roth** was married 14 Dec 1991 in Milford, Seward Co, NE, to **Stacie Bell,** daughter of Ron and Jan Vandle Bell, who was born 5 Jan 1972 in in Milford, Seward Co, NE. Jason is a mechanic. Rt 1, Milford, NE; 402-761-3068.

(145) **Kimberly Diane Engle** was married 1 Aug 1992 to **Robert Anthony Arellano**, son of Thomas and Janice (Hanaway) Arellano, who was born 10 Aug 1970 in Pomona, Los Angeles Co, CA. Kimberly is a secretary, Robert a machine operator. 4337 Julius Ct, Stockton, CA; 209-474-1343.

Children:

238 **Alexus Kay Arellano**; b. 14 Dec 1993 in Stockton, San Joaquin Co, CA.

(165) **Julie Marie Boshart** was married 30 Jul 1994 in Shedd, Linn Co, OR to **Richard Howell Ames**, son of Alan and Judith (Shipley) Ames, who was born on 6 Oct 1965 in Portland, Multnomah Co, OR. 352 S.E. 30th Albany, OR 97321; 503-967-7610.

(168) **Terry Joseph Knox** was married 18 Jun 1992 in Amsterdam, The Netherlands to **Henretta Deknijff**, daughter of William and Vinnie Deknijff. Haardstee 133, 1102 NJ Amsterdam, The Netherlands.

(169) **Eric Matthew Knox** was married 18 Jun 1994 in Eugene, Lane Co, OR to **Jamie Lea Smith**, daughter of Donald and Diana (Hoiland) Smith, who was born on 26 Sep 1973 in Eugene, Lane Co, OR. Eric is a cabinet maker; Jamie is legal secretary. 151 Maple Street #5, Junction City, OR 97448.

(196) **Angela Paige Stutzman** was married 6 Feb 1993in Albany, Linn Co, OR to **Larry Dean Schlabach**, son of Perry and Virginia (Kennedy) Schlabach, who was born on 26 Jul 1961 in Lebannon, Linn Co, OR. Larry is dairy farmer; Angela is a homemaker. 13552 Jefferson Highway 99E, Jefferson, OR 97352; 503-327-3530.

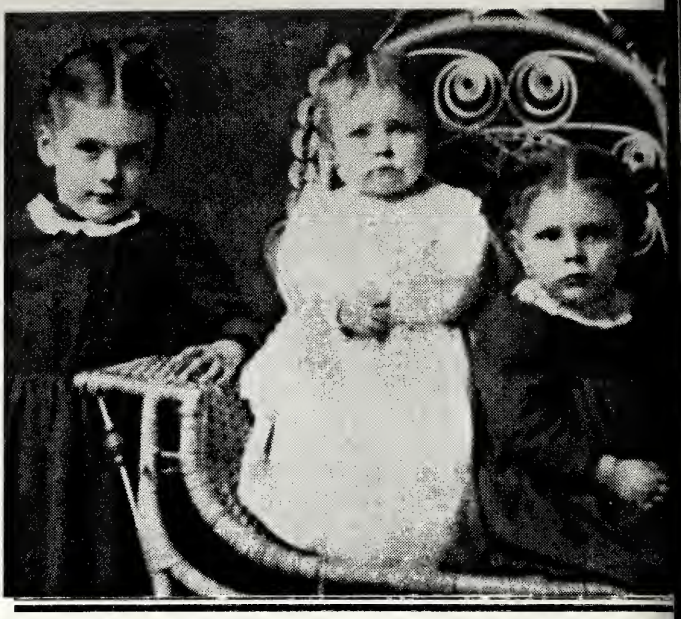
(204) **Jeremy Sanford Weber** was married 20 Mar 1992 in Lebanon, Linn Co, Or to **Carry Barkley**, daughter of Dean and Nancy (Wimer) Barkley, who was born on 20 Apr 1969 in Corvalis, Benton Co, OR. Jeremy is a finisher; Carry a hair and nail technician. 2150 Geary Street, Albany, OR 97321; 503-967-9404.

The children of Joseph and Mary Birkey Gascho. Standing, left to right: Joe, Barbara, Lydia, Art, Mary, William, Katie, Ben, Magdalena and Chris. Mary Birkey Gascho is seated in the center.

The Jacob and Anna Maria Lauber Roth family. Back row: Katharina,Benedick, Jakob, Christian, Michael, Henry, Jacobina (Phoebe). Second row: Anna, Jacob, Anna Marie, Daniel's wife, Daniel. Seated: Benjamin, Magdalena, Joseph.

Jacobina (Phoebe) Roth. This photograph was likely taken before her marriage to Joe Gascho.

Two pictures of
Joe and Phoebe Roth
Gascho, both taken
at the Gascho house.

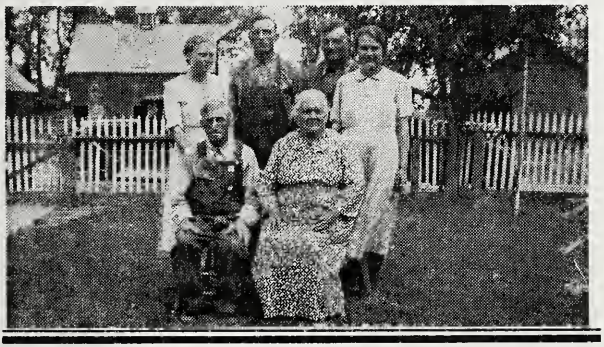


Mary, Anna and Minnie as young children.

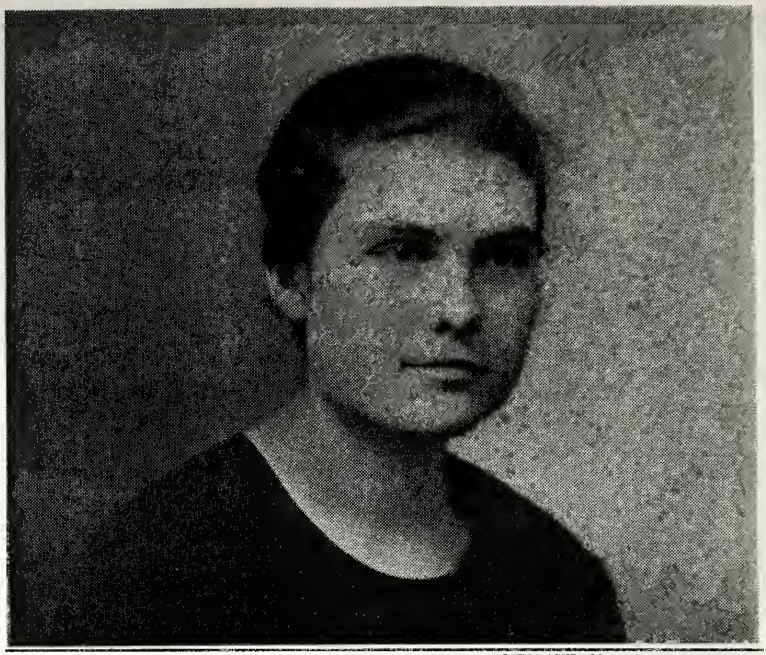
Mary, Anna and Minnie as young women.

Alvin, Harry, Ida and Katie, in about 1918.

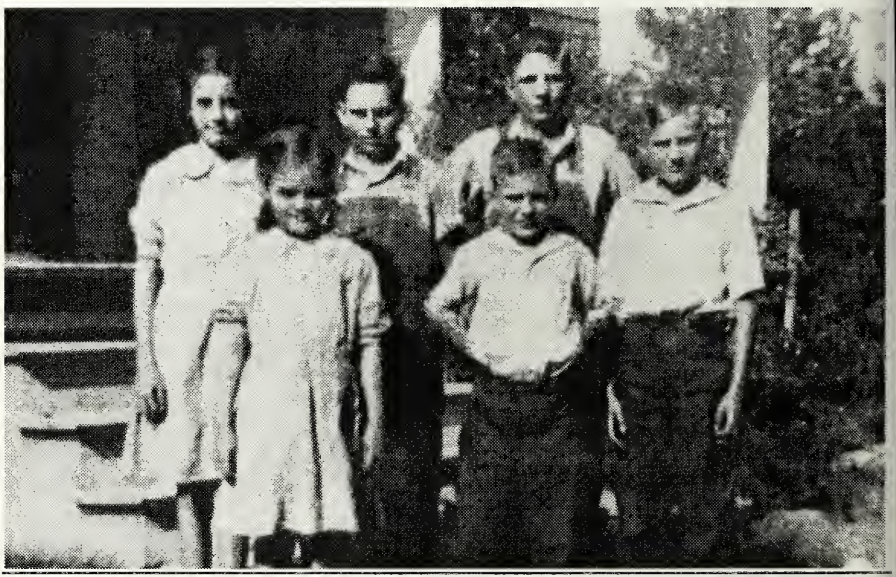
Harry, Katie, Papa, Alvin and Ida at the front of Alvin's house.



Katie, Alvin, Harry, Ida (standing); Papa and Mama (sitting); at the Gascho place.



Mary Gascho, likely before her marriage to Abe Roth.



The six children of Abe and Mary Gascho Roth in about 1937. Josephine, Delmar, Robert (back); Irene, Edward and Chester (front).

Robert, Chester, Delmar (standing); Edward, Irene, Josephine (seated).
The picture was probably taken in about 1931.

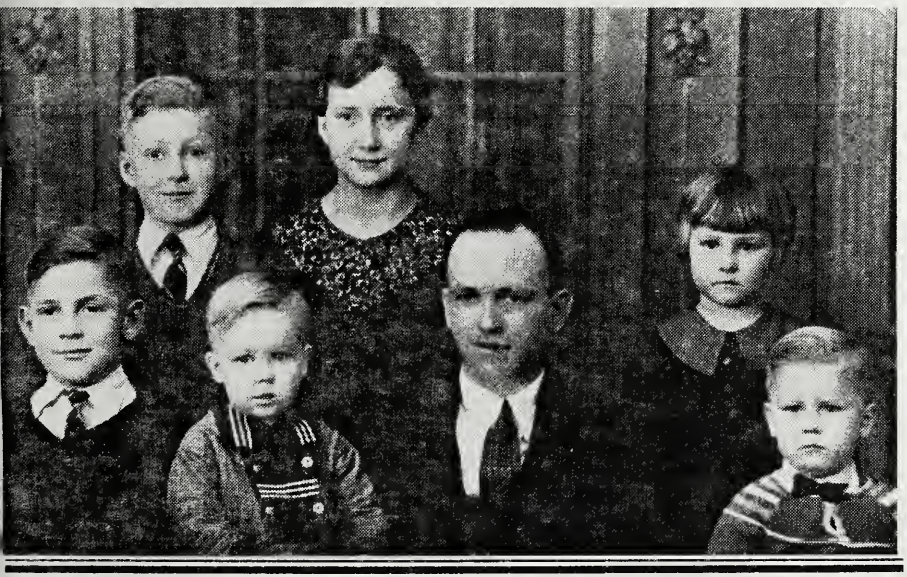
Minnie Gascho, probably before her marriage to Sid Beckler.

Sid and Mary Gascho Beckler, at the time of their wedding in 1919.

'he children of Sid and Minnie Gascho Beckler. Maynerd, Laverne, Homer (in .averne's arms), Orval (back); Sidney, Raymond (front). The picture was taken in 936, by Ida, on the front porch of the Gascho house, before the children left for a chool picnic.

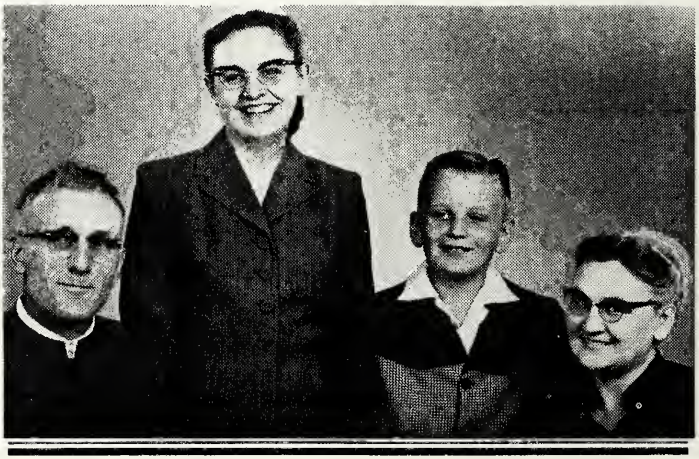
Anna Gascho and Royden Jantzi at the time of their wedding in 1923.

Anna Gascho, probably before her marriage to Royden Jantzi.



Royden Jantzi and the six living children of Royden and Anna Gascho Jantzi. Roland and Shirely (back); Robert, Leo, Royden, Ruth, John (front). The picture was taken in about 1936.

Alvin and Cora Irene Garber Kauffman at about the time of their wedding in 1943.



Alvin, Hope Kauffman, Joseph and (Cora) Irene Gascho, in about 1953.

Ida and Katie Gascho.

Katie Gascho and Joe Unternahrer, at the time of their wedding in 1953. The picture was taken at the back of the Cairo house where Ida, Katie,Papa and Chris lived.

arry and Elva Newswanger
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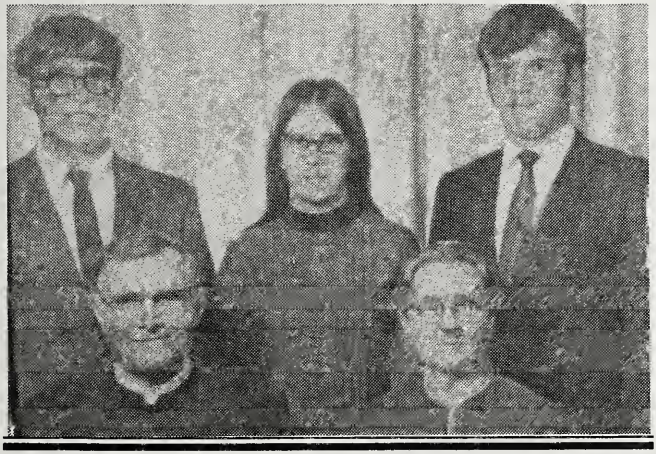
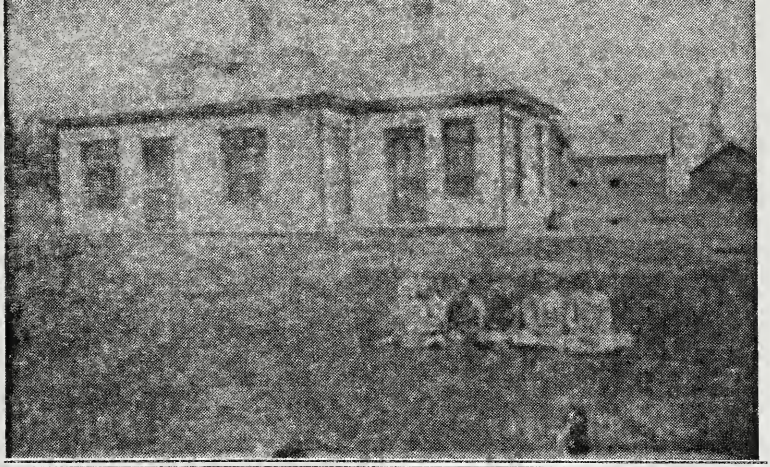


Timothy, Harry, Mary Beth, Elva and Luke Gascho, in about 1969.

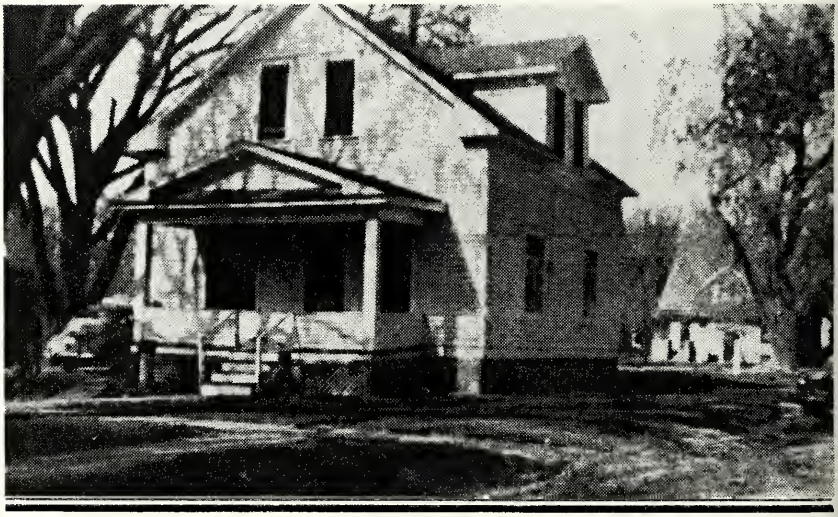
This picture of Papa, Mama and 15 of the grandchildren was taken in the fall of 1937. Back row: Laverne Beckler, Shirely Jantzi, Orval Beckler, Papa, Mama. Middle row: Josephine Roth, Raymond Beckler, Roland Jantzi, Delmar Roth, Robert Roth, Robert Jantzi, Maynerd Beckler. Front row: John Jantzi, Leo Jantzi, Irene Roth, Ruth Jantzi, and Sidney Beckler. The three nephews not pictured are Homer Beckler, Chester Roth and Edward Roth.



The Gascho house, before the second floor was added. The picture was probably taken in 1912. Sitting in the front of the house, from left to right: Mary, Katie (on Mary's lap), Alvin, Ida, Minnie and Anna.

The Gascho house, after the second floor was added.

The Gascho house and farm buildings; the picture was taken facing southwest.



The Cairo house.

Obituaries

Joseph (Joe) Gascho

Gascho, Joseph, son of Joseph and Mary (Birkey) Gascho, was born near Flanagan, Ill., Feb. 11, 1871; passed away at his home in Cairo, Nebr., Aug. 22, 1954; aged 83 y. 6 m. 11 d. He had been in failing health, caused mainly by hardening of the arteries, for over two years and was confined to his home the last three months. He was married to Jacobina Roth in 1898. This union was blessed with 2 sons and 5 daughters. His wife preceded him in death in 1945. Three daughters also preceded him (Mrs. Mary Roth in 1930, and Mrs. Anna Jantzi and Mrs. Minnie Beckler in 1935). His parents, 3 sisters, 4 brothers, and 3 grandchildren also preceded him. Surviving are 2 sons (Alvin and Harry, both of Wood River, Nebr.), 2 daughters (Ida and Katie, at home), 2 sisters (Mrs. Mary Stutzman and Mrs. Lydia Hershberger, both of Corry, Pa.), 2 brothers (Ben and Chris, both of Milford, Nebr.), 21 grandchildren, and 30 great-grandchildren. In his youth he accepted Christ as his Saviour and became a member of the Mennonite Church at Milford. Later he and his wife transferred their membership to the newly organized Wood River Mennonite Church where he willingly lent a helping hand in erecting the building and establishing this congregation. Funeral services were held at the Wood River church by W.R. Eicher and Sam Oswald. Internment was made in the adjoining cemetery.

Gospel Herald, 1954.

Jacobina Gascho

Gascho. --Jacobina, daughter of the late Jacob and Mary Roth, was born March 24, 1873, near Wilmendingen, Germany; left our family circle to join the heavenly hosts March 3, 1945; aged 71 y. 11 m. 7 d. She arrived in New York on her sixteenth birthday, accompanied by one brother and one sister. They came directly to Milford, Nebr., to the home of relatives. She worked out until 1898, when she was married to Joe Gascho. They lived in Milford until 1908, when they moved to their present home north of Wood River, Nebr. Two sons and five daughters were born to this union. She leaves to mourn her departure her loving husband, 2 sons (Alvin, Wood River; and Harry, Beltsville, Md., C.P.S. Camp), 2 daughters (Ida and Kathryn, at home), 18 grandchildren, one daughter-in-law, one stepgranddaughter, one great-grandchild, one brother (Ben Roth, of Milford), and many other relatives and friends. She was preceded in death by 3 daughters (Mary--Mrs. Abe Roth, Minnie--Mrs. Sid Beckler, and Anna--Mrs. Royden Jantzi), one granddaughter, her parents, 3 sisters, and 11 brothers. At the death of her daughter Mary in 1930, she opened her home to four of her grandchildren (Robert, Delmar, Josephine, and Irene Roth), which is still home to them. Early in life she accepted Christ as her personal Saviour and united with the Mennonite Church. When she came to America she transferred her membership to the Mennonite Church at Milford and later to the Wood River Mennonite Church, remaining faithful until death. In her many duties as mother and grandmother she served with a steady zeal and a quiet, consistent life. Her influence for good touched many lives. The last fourteen months of her life she patiently endured her illness, due to heart trouble and complications, and spent

the last week of her life in a hospital. The end came without a struggle as she was beginning to eat her breakfast. Often during her illness she quoted the Saviour's invitation, "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest." Funeral services were conducted March 6, at the home by Peter Kennel and at the Wood River Church by W.R. Eicher. Text, Job 21:23-26. Internment was made in the adjoining cemetery.

Gospel Herald, 1945.

Mary Gascho Roth

Eldest child of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gascho, was born at Milford, Nebraska, December 3rd 1899, and departed this life at her home in Deuel County, Nebraska July 4th, 1930, at the age of 30 years 7 months and 1 day.

Mary spent her childhood days with her parents near Wood River, Nebraska where she grew to womanhood. There in very early live she united with the Wood River Mennonite Church at Wood River and has since been a loving member and Christian.

In the year 1924, Jan 2nd she was united in marriage to Mr. Abe Roth of Deuel County, Nebraska, the marriage taking place at the home of her parents near Wood River, Nebraska, and the young couple established their home in Deuel County where they have since resided.

To this union six children were born, namely, Delmar, Josephine, Chester Lee, Edward John, and baby Irene.

She leaves to mourn her untimely departure beside her loving husband and the six children above mentioned, her little stepdaughter Agnes, also her loving father and mother, four sisters, two brothers and one grandmother as well as a number of other relatives and a host of friends and neighbors who are sadly grieved and will sadly miss this kind wife and mother.

"Oh, dear Mother, we will hearken
To your prayerful, loving call;
Now to Jesus we would listen,
Then to come and follow thee.
But we all are left so lonely,
Just to think that mother's gone.
Yet we would not, could not call her
From her peaceful heavenly home".

Funeral text: Rev 14:13.

Source of obituary unknown.

Minnie Gascho Beckler

Beckler.--Minnie, daughter of Joseph and Jacobina (Roth) Gascho, was born near Milford, Neb., June 20, 1902; died Oct. 8, 1935 (death being caused of heart failure following an operation at a hospital at Grand Island, Neb.); aged 33 y. 3 m. 18 d. In 1908 she with her parents moved from Milford to Wood River vicinity where she resided ever since. She accepted her Savior in her early youth, united with the Mennonite Church, and remained faithful to the end. She

was united in marriage with Sidney Beckler Dec. 25, 1919. To this union were born 1 daughter and 5 sons (La Verne, Orval, Maynerd, Raymond, Sidney Jr., and Homer). Besides her husband and children she leaves her father, mother, 2 brothers (Alvin and Harry), 2 sisters (Ida and Katie), an aged grandmother, and numerous relatives and friends to mourn her untimely departure. Two sisters (Mary Roth and Anna Jantzi) preceded her to death. Mary passed away in 1930 and Anna in 1935, each leaving a family of 6 small children. Funeral services were held at the home of her parents and at the Wood River Mennonite Church Oct. 11, 1935, with a large number of relatives and friends attending. Services were conducted by A.E. Stoltzfus at the home and Wm. Eicher, Joe Zimmerman and D.G. Lapp at the Church. Text, Rom. 8:18.

"God saw fit to pluck
One of the fairest lilies of the garden but--
'Tis God's sweet will, so let it be,
He sees what we cannot see.
There is a 'need-be' for each pain,
And sometime He will make it plain
That earthly loss is heavenly gain."
Gospel Herald, 1935.

Anna Gascho Jantzi

Jantzi.--Anna (Gascho) Jantzi, daughter of Joseph and Bina Gascho was born near Milford, Nebr., Apr. 19, 1904; passed away Jan. 18, 1935; aged 30 y. 8 m. 29 d. In the year 1908, she came with her parents to Wood River, Nebr., in which community she has resided ever since. She accepted Christ as her Savior in early youth, uniting with the Wood River Mennonite Church, of which she remained a faithful member until claimed by death. On Jan. 3, 1923, she was united in marriage to Royden Jantzi. To this union were born 7 children. She leaves to mourn her departure, her beloved husband, 6 children: Shirley, Roland, Robert, Ruth, Johnnie, and Leo; 2 brothers, 3 sisters, a grandmother, and a host of other relatives and friends. One daughter, Betty Fern, and one sister preceded her in death. Funeral services were held from the Wood River Mennonite Church, Jan. 21, 1935, conducted by A.E. Stoltzfus and J.E. Zimmerman. Text, II Tim 4:6-8. Burial in the adjoining cemetery.

Gospel Herald, 1935.

Alvin Gascho

Alvin Gascho was born March 25, 1906, at Milford, Nebraska, to Joseph and Jacobina Roth Gascho. He died of multiple myeloma at Charlottesville, Virginia, on April 18, 1982. He was converted and baptized in 1922. On March 2, 1941, he was ordained to the ministry at the Wood River (Nebraska) Mennonite Church and served there faithfully as pastor for 19 years.

On June 16, 1943, he married Cora Irene Garber Kauffman and also welcomed her daughter, Hope Kauffman, into his home and life as his own daughter. In 1947 his son, Joseph Alvin, was born. In 1960 he, his wife, and son

moved to Harrisonburg, Virginia. Here he worked at Eastern Mennonite College in maintenance, served with his wife as superintendent and matron of the Virginia Mennonite Home, and was supervisor at the Sheltered workshop (now Friendship Industries). He was ill seven years before his death.

Survivors include his wife; Dr. Joseph A. Gascho, Charlottesville, Virginia; Hope (Mrs. Clifford) Lind of Eugene, Oregon; a brother, Harry Gascho, of Elkhart, Indiana; two sisters, Ida Gascho and Katie (Mrs. Joe) Unternahrer, of Cairo, Nebraska; and grandchildren, Joseph and Susan Gascho and Janet, Myron, Julia and Carl Lind. The family has lost a devoted husband, father, brother and grandfather, whose one purpose in life was to honor and obey His Lord and Saviour.

Obituary from funeral bulletin.

Katie Gascho Unternahrer

We have gathered to bid good-bye to Katie Unternahrer who passed away peacefully, December 26 [1990], in her home in Cairo. She was 80 years old.

Katie was born May 21, 1910, to her parents Joseph and Jacobine Roth Gascho, in a farm house southeast of Cairo.

She received her education at District 37, and after her schooling worked caring for others in the community. She loved nursing and cared for many elderly and needy people in our community.

On April 14, 1955 she was married to Joe Unternahrer and remained a devoted wife for all these years. When Joe arrived home from work she was always there. For 22 months after their marriage they lived in La Junta, Colorado where she nursed at the hospital. In 1957 they moved to Cairo where they have resided since.

Katie has been a part of the Wood River Mennonite Church all her life. She prayed for everyone and was concerned for their spiritual welfare, especially she was concerned for her nieces and nephews. She would set aside an hour after breakfast to pray every day. We will miss this "prayer warrior" and hope for others to fill the gap. She memorized a lot of scripture and when her eyesight got bad she would think about what she had memorized. Often she would say "I'm thinking about Colossians 3" or some other scripture.

Katie was a hospitable person. She and Joe would often share their home with someone passing through or someone who was alone or lonely. She liked to think the best of people, often saying "If you can't say anything good about someone, then don't say anything at all!"

Her prayer in her last days was, "That she might honor her Lord, Jesus Christ" and, "Be faithful to him till death." I am sure her prayer was answered!

She is survived by her husband Joe, of Cairo; one sister Ida Gascho, of Cairo; one brother Harry Gascho, of Goshen, Indiana; nineteen nieces and nephews, and four sister in laws.

She is preceded in death by her parents, one brother, three sisters, two nieces, and three nephews.

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MARRIAGE RECORD.

The State of Nebraska, } ss.
SEWARD COUNTY.

IN COUNTY COURT.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 13th day of December A. D. 189[illegible], there was filed in this office the following:

SEWARD COUNTY, ss.

AFFIDAVIT ON APPLICATION FOR MARRIAGE LICENSE.

I, Joseph O. Tasche of Seward County, State of Nebraska aged 27 years, do solemnly affirm that Joseph O. Tasche and Miss Phebe Roth are parties for the marriage of whom a LICENSE is applied for; that Joseph O. Tasche is of the age of 27 years and upwards, of sound contracting mind, and unmarried. that said Phebe Roth is of the age of 25 years and upward, of sound contracting mind, and unmarried and may lawfully contract and be joined in marriage.

I furthermore do solemnly swear that the following schedule, containing the names of the aforesaid parties, their age, color, place of birth, residence, and parents' names, is correct in every particular to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, to-wit:

NAMES OF PARTIES	AGE	COLOR	PLACE OF BIRTH	RESIDENCE	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME
Joseph O. Tasche groom	27	wht	Illinois	Seward co.	Jo Tasche	Mary Finky
Phebe Roth bride	25	wht	Germany	Seward Co.	Jacob Roth	Mary Sauter

Subscribed and ~~sworn to~~ affirmed before me December 13th 189[illegible] Joseph O Tasche

[SEAL] J. J. Thomas County Judge. Applicant.

Thereupon was issued and recorded License in the words and figures following:

MARRIAGE LICENSE.

The State of Nebraska, } ss.
SEWARD COUNTY.

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY JUDGE.

LICENSE is hereby granted to any person authorized to solemnize marriages according to the laws of said State, to join in marriage Mr. Joseph O. Tasche and Miss Phebe Roth of the County aforesaid, whose ages, residences, etc., are as follows:

NAMES OF PARTIES	AGE	COLOR	PLACE OF BIRTH	RESIDENCE	FATHER'S NAME	MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME
Joseph O Tasche groom	27	wht	Illinois	Seward Co	Jo Tasche	Mary Finky
Phebe Roth bride	25	wht	Germany	Seward Co.	Jacob Roth	Mary Sauter

And the person joining them in marriage is required to make due return of the annexed Certificate to the County Judge of said County within three months, of the names of the parties, time and place of marriage, and by whom solemnized.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said Court, at my office in Seward, in said County, this 13th day of December A. D. 189[illegible]

[SEAL] J. J. Thomas County Judge.

AND BE IT FURTHER REMEMBERED, That afterwards, and on this 25th day of December A. D. 189[illegible], there was filed and recorded herein Certificate and return in the words and figures following:

CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE.

To the County Judge of Seward County, Nebraska:

THIS CERTIFIES, That on the 15 day of December A. D. 189[illegible], at the Amish Mennonite Church in said County, according to law and by authority, I duly JOINED IN MARRIAGE Mr. Joseph O Tasche and Miss Phebe Roth and there were present as witnesses Christian Tasche of Seward County Neb and John A. Roth of Seward County Neb.

Given under my hand the 15 day of December A. D. 189[illegible]

Joseph Schlegel

[Sign official character.] Minister of the Gospel.

Joe and Phoebe's marriage record. Note the addendum of the word "affirmed" to take the place of the words "sworn to". Joe is referred to here by the full name of "Joseph O.", he really had no middle initial. Phoebe's full name, Jacobina, is not used.

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